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WANTED—TUITIONS by an EXPE in spinning, weaving and dyeing Guarantees sound practical and theoretical knowledge in the above subjects. For fur ther particulars and terms apply to Box No. 947, Advt. Dept., "Bombay Chronicle. 307

WANTED.

WANTED—A BUNGALOW either for sale or on hire furnished or unfurnished at Chawpaty, Walkeshwar Topkhana or somewhere near seashore. Write to G. K. MAVALANKER, c/o Jamnabai's Bungalow Walkeshwar, near Multani's Wadi, Bombay. 3368

WANTED.—A PUMP for pumping out water from rivers, etc., when making bridges and dams. Send particulars with price to the address of HOME MINISTER, His Highness' Government, Alwar, before 25th March, 1918. 3236

WANTED—CUSTOMERS to purchase Dealwood empty cases of various sizes. Cheap price and quick delivery guaranteed. For further particulars apply to S. B. PAI, 34, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay. 2352

WANTED—OIL ENGINES must be in first class condition and in perfect running order, Diesel or Semi-Diesel type of one hundred B.H.P. to four hundred B.H.P. Full details and particulars are required, also state price, apply to Box No. 976, Advt. Dept., "Bombay Chronicle." 3225

AN IMPORTANT NOTE—All pupils, who appeared through our School in the Cambridge Senior Local Exam., last December, have been sent up, this March, to the University Matric Exam, without a single exception. Those ambitious of obtaining this double advantage, should see Principal, THE EMPIRE ENGLISH SCHOOL, without delay, for Prospectus and particulars, 259/261, Hornby Rd., Fort.

FOR SALE

FANS FOR SALE—To work on Kerosine & Spirit,lowest prices. International Engineering Co., 48/52, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay. 3169

FOR SALE—Two valuable PROPERTIES, facing Tram lines, Chira Bazar, good rent. Apply GANDHI & Co., Auctioneers. 3696

FOR SALE—1 Rees Roturbo Pump Direct Current, 230 Volts, 2 H.P., 70 ft. Head, thoroughly overhauled. Apply Bo No. 16, Advt. Dept., "Bombay Chronicle." 3366

FOR SALE.—2 STEAM LORRIES ir working order, any reasonable offer entertained. Apply to NUSERVANJI RUTTONJI NAZIR. No. 5, Dalal Street, Fort. ...3339

FOR SALE.—BROWN WALER, 15.3., 8 years. Well bred and of good appearance, suitable for Officer's Charger. Price Rs. 1,500. Apply WELLINGTON MEWS. 3268

BUILDINGS.—Land and buildings FOI SALE to suit your requirements are offered by MEHTA & Co., Auctioneers, 25, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay. 2

FOR SALE—WATERPROOF OVERCOATS from Rs. 5 to Rs. 7 each at our Retail Branch, opposite the Edward's Theatre, Kanta Buildings, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay. Coachmen and Chaffeurs Coats and Caps a speciality. K. C. MARROTT, largest Importer of second-hand clothing, Bombay. 3314

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Paulins Ready-made WATER-PROOF dressed Paulins of any size, immediate delivery at Rs. 3 per sy. yard. For sample apply to E. K. PALIA, Bruce Lane, Fort Bombay. 3381

FOR SALE.—GLYCERINE (Indian) Commercial, at Rs. 2/4 lb., GLYCERINE, (Indian) Refined at Rs. 2/12 lb. Apply sharp to REYNOLDS & Co., Chemists, Druggists and General Agents. Post Box No. 392, Bombay. 3313

TO BE LET.

TO LET—Commodious BUNGALOW Victoria Road, next to Queen Mary Technical Institute, for Indian soldiers. Apply Box No 14, Advt. Dept., "Bombay Chronicle." 3356

LONAVLA HOTEL—Furnished rooms to let for season, few rooms left. Apply JEENA & Co., 34, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay. 3311

PUBLIC NOTICES.

THE TATA INDUSTRIAL BANK, LIMITED, BOMBAY.

THE BANK will commence business at its temporary premises in Wallace Street, Fort, Bombay, on THURSDAY, 4th April, 1918. 3182

BANK OF BOMBAY

THE BANK will be CLOSED on THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, the 28th, 29th and 30th instant and 1st proximo, those days being Public Holidays (Holi and Easter) under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

R. AITKEN,
Secrtary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 20th March, 1918. 3289

NOTICE.

WE have discovered that several dealers in Bombay and other places have been selling one dram and half dram phials in packets of one dozen each of some stuff as being our well-known OTTO MOHINI and bearing red labels exactly similar to our own label, but without our paper band bearing the words "None genuine without this band, The Oriental Drug and Chemical Co." We have started proceedings in the Police Court against those dealers of whose existence we have come to know.

The Public are therefore requested to note that such of the packets of one dozen one dram phials and half dram phials (small) of OTTO MOHINI as do not bear our said band (putti) are not ours, but are fraudulent imitations and that the labels on all phials therein contained are forgeries.

Dated 23rd March, 1918.

PROPRIETOR,
"The Oriental Drug & Chemical Co.,"
and the "Mohini Agency,"
Juma Masjid, Bombay.
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THE LAKHSHMI COTTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LTD.

(SHOLAPUR.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 3 Wallace Street, Fort, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th March, 1918, at 1-30 p.m., (Standard Time) for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

I.—To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1917.
II.—To declare a dividend.
III.—To elect Directors in the place of those who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.
IV.—To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd March to the 6th April, 1918, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
for the Bombay Company Limited.
S. J. GILLUM.
Managing Director.
Secretaries, Treasurers & Agents.
Bombay, 18th March, 1918. 3183

THE VISHNU COTTON MILL LTD,

(SHOLAPUR.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 3, Wallace Street, Fort, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th March, 1918, at 1-45 p.m., (Standard Time) for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

I.—To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1917.
II.—To declare a Dividend on the Ordinary and Preference Shares of the Company.
III.—To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.
IV.—To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd March to the 6th April, 1918, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
for the Bombay Company Limited.
S. J. GILLUM.
Managing Director.
Secretaries, Treasurers & Agents.
Bombay, 18th March, 1918. 3184

PUBLIC NOTICES.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

AN ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on THURSDAY, the 4th April, 1918, at 3 p.m. (Bombay Time), for the consideration of the following business:—

1. (a) Appointment of President of the Corporation for the year 1918-19; (b) Notices of motions (i) from the Honourable Sir Dinsha Edulji Wacha, Kt., seconded by the Honourable Mr. Chunilal V. Mehta —For appointing Mr. Rahimtulla Currimbhoy to be President for the year, and (ii) from Sir Temulji B. Nariman, Kt., seconded by Mr. H. T. Gorrie—For appointing Mr. Mirza Ali Mohammed Khan to be President for the year.

2. Letter from the Honourable Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Kt., C.I.E.—Resigning his seat on the Corporation.

3 (a) Schools Committee's letter—Intimating that the Hon'ble Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola has resigned his seat on the Schools Committee and forwarding the Committee's Resolution appreciating his services on the Committee; (b) Election of a member of the Schools Committee

4. (a) Letter from the Municipal Secretary—Reporting a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the Prince of Wales Museum of Western India caused by the resignation of the Honourable Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Kt., C.I.E.; (b) Election of a representative on the Board.

5. Memorandum from the Commissioner —Forwarding a notification regarding the election of Mr. D. S. Shellim to be a Councillor.

6. Government Order—Re-appointing Mr. Meyer Nissim and Mr. A. M. Wadia to be members of the Standing Committee.

7. Letter from Major R. C. Burke—Thanking the Corporation for the Resolution on the death of his father the late Mr. C. T. Burke.

Bombay Improvement Trust Letters—

8. Forwarding excerpts from the Trustees' Proceedings.

9. Forwarding Budget estimates of income and expenditure of the Board for 1918-19.

10. Forwarding Administration Report of the Trust for 1916-17.

11. Forwarding accounts of the Board for 1916-17.

12. Forwarding a notification issued by the Board relating to the Mazagaon Road Street Scheme.

13. Letters from Mr. Mulraj Goculdas Nensey and from Swami Dnyanananandji Harigirji—Regarding the action taken in respect of a well at premises No. 1110K, Matunga.

14. Letter from Sabaji Narayen and others—Regarding the accumulation of sand in the creek at Cleveland Bunder.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee—

15. Recommending an advance of Rs. 8,400, for filling in a plot of ground at Tardeo Road.

16. Recommending that in reply to their letters, regarding the condition of Zaoba's Wadi, Mr. M. T. Dewasthalee and others be informed to the effect of the Commissioner's report.

17. Recommending that in reply to their letter, regarding the nuisance caused by the working of a grain cleaning machine at Baroda Street, Messrs. Hirjee Govindjee be informed to the effect of the Commissioner's report.

18. Forwarding for information their Resolution sanctioning a variation in the schedule of the staff of malis, etc., in the Victoria and other public gardens.

19. Recommending a grant of Rs. 6,52,669-14-0 to meet the depreciation in the value of the Government Paper in which a portion of surplus revenue balances has been invested.

20. Recommending sanction to the payments already made of double railway fares to certain Municipal officers and to the payment of conveyance allowance to certain nurses.

21. Recommending sanction to a scheme for laying water mains on the estate of the City Improvement Trust between Kingsway and the G. I. P. Railway Dadar Station being varied as proposed by the Commissioner.

22. Recommending that in reply to their letter, regarding the action taken by the Municipality in respect of storage of gunny bags, the Grain Merchants' Association be informed to the effect of the Commissioner's report.

23. Recommending that in reply to their letter, regarding the question of taking over and enlarging the Vadala Hindu Cemetery, the Matunga Residents' Association be informed that the matter is receiving attention.

24. Recommending that a letter from Mr. Manekji Nowroji Engineer, regarding the condition of the cross road leading from the Mahim Railway Station to Lady Jamsetji Road, be forwarded to the Commissioner for disposal.

25. Recommending a grant of Rs. 43,400 to supplement the grant for road repairs for the year 1917-18.

26. Forwarding for information their Resolution sanctioning a variation in the schedule of the inspectorial staff of the Licensing Department.

27. Forwarding for information their Resolution sanctioning a variation in the schedule of the labour staff of the Drainage Department.

28. Recommending that in reply to their letter, regarding want of lights at 2nd Bhatwadi, Girgaum, Mr. Damodar Ganesh and others be informed that the lane being a private one cannot be lighted at Municipal expense.

29. Recommending that in reply to his letter, regarding inconvenience caused to the public at the Lower Parel Railway level-crossing, Mr. R. G. Mahimkar be informed to the effect of the Commissioner's report.

30. Recommending that in reply to their letter, on behalf of Mr. Abdul Tyab Mallomedali, regarding the proposed establishment of a smeltery at Dhanji Street, Messrs. Nanu Hormusji & Co., Solicitors, be informed that an experimental license

PUBLIC NOTICES.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

(*Continued.*)

is proposed to be granted to Mr. Kushiram Jairam for a smeltery at Dhanji Street, to be worked according to a new method on the clear understanding that no nuisance would be caused.

31. Recommending a grant of Rs 6,014 to supplement the Budget grant for the work of filling in the low-lying ground near the Matunga Railway Station.

32. Recommending that in reply to their letter, regarding the inadequate lighting of Musjid Street, Mr. Bhimji Jethabhai Kandawalla and others be informed to the effect of the Commissioner's report.

33. (a) Intimating, with reference to a letter from Mr. Jehangir Nanabhoy Burjorjee, regarding nuisance caused by Messrs. Dixon & Co.'s factory of Mazagaon, that the Company were given special permission by the Commissioner to work the factory during the night on the days mentioned in the letter for carrying out urgent war work. (b) Letters from Mr. S. R. Masoarenhas and others, from Messrs. Jehangir and Seervai, Solicitors, on behalf of Mr. Dhunjibhoy Bomanji and from Mr. Jehangir Nanabhoy Burjorjee—Complaining of the nuisance caused by the factory.

Letters from the Commissioner—

34. Submitting a report on a letter from Government relative to the working of the Indian Railways Act, 1890.

35. Requesting sanction to the continuance of the appointment of a temporary Store Clerk at the Love Grove Pumping and Compressor Station up to the end of 1918-19

36. Submitting a report regarding the level of subsoil water in the storm-water reservoir reclaimed with refuse and the adjoining areas.

37. Requesting that Corporation Resolutions under which fees are levied for admission to the Victoria Gardens on certain occasions may be modified so as to allow sick or wounded soldiers free admission to the Gardens on those occasions.

38. Submitting a report regarding the question of the conversion of privies into water closets.

39. Submitting an application from the King George V Anti-Tuberculosis League for special grants for the Sanatorium and Hospital proposed to be established by the League in addition to the yearly grant of Rs. 10,000.

40. Forwarding Analytical and Bacteriological Reports on the Bombay Water Supplies.

41. Forwarding a return showing the pressure in the water mains in the different localities of the City.

42. Forwarding a return of unwholesome food-stuffs destroyed by the Markets Department.

43. Submitting a report regarding detentions at the level-crossing at Dadar.

44. Forwarding statements giving the approximate cost of conveying refuse to Tardeo Flats for certain periods.

45. Requesting sanction to a Municipal plot of land situated to the north of the Madhavji Dharamsi Mills being sold to Mr. R. D. Sethna, Receiver of the Estate of the late Raja Bahadur Shivlal Motilal.

Notices of motions—

46. From Mr. Byramjee R. B. Jeejeebhoy—For requesting the Commissioner to take steps for removing the congestion of bullock-carts at the foot of Walkeshwar Road.

47—48. From Dr. Nadirshaw H. E. Sukhia—(47) For obtaining a report as to the feasibility of amending the Municipal Act, so as to afford some relief to property-holders in the City in view of various Municipal requirements for improvements, etc.; and (48) For appointing a Committee to consider draft by-laws defining and providing for the constitution, powers and duties of a Hospital Committee.

49. From Dr. Dinsha Bamanji Pestanji Master—For obtaining a report regarding measures for redressing the nuisance caused by the manufacture of cow-dung cakes along the railway line between the Mahaluxmi and the Grant Road stations.

50. From the Honourable Mr. Chunilal V. Mehta—For obtaining a report as to the advisability of adding more areas to the existing limits of the City.

Letters from the Commissioner—

51. Requesting sanction to certain lanes on Lamington Road being named as proposed.

52. Regarding the election of an additional representative on each of the Ward Committees for drawing up the maxima and minima scales of licensed liquor shops in the City.

53—57. Memoranda from the Municipal Secretary—Submitting (53) a statement of Budget transfers sanctioned by the Standing Committee; (54) a return showing the attendance of Councillors at meetings and the changes that have taken place in the constitution of the Corporation and the Standing Committee during the year ending 31st March, 1918; (55) a list of Resolutions passed by the Corporation calling for reports from the Commissioner which have not been received; (56) a report as to the progress made by the Committee regarding the amendment of the Municipal law so as to obtain powers for regulating building operations; and (57) a statement of Outstanding Committees of the Corporation.

Reports of Committees of the Corporation—

58. Regarding the Executive Health Officer's application for leave preparatory to retirement.

59. Regarding a proposal to retain permanently the experimental Town Duty Refund Staff.

60. Regarding proposals for taking over and maintaining the Maternity Home established by the Lady Willingdon Scheme at Parel.

By order of the President,
R. P. MASANI,
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 26th March, 1918.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

MUNICIPALITY OF BOMBAY

NOTICE.

TENDERS (1) for the supply of materials and (2) for the work of Colour-washing, White-washing, &c., will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay up to 1 p.m. (B. T.), on FRIDAY, the 5th day of April, 1918.

Forms of contract will be issued free of charge to any one deputed to receive them by the Undersigned, who will on application give any further information that may be required.

By order of the Municipal Commissioner,
JAMES W. MACKISON,
B.Sc., M.I.C.E.,
Executive Engineer.

Executive Engineer's Office,
Bombay, March, 1918. 3389

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "MITSUKI MARU" having arrived, the Consignees of her cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to this Office for counter-signature without delay. No survey will be held on cargo damaged or in doubtful condition unless a written application for such survey is received by the undersigned within seven days after the cargo has been discharged. Captain Richards, of Messrs. Ericson and Richards, Company's appointed surveyors, will be attending Docks, every morning to survey damages. Cargo removed from the Landing Shed or warehoused is not entitled to survey. No bag cargo in single gunny will be surveyed. The bills for claims are to be sent to this office within one month from the date of steamer's arrival, otherwise they will not be entertained.

THE MANAGER.
Osaka Shosen Kaisha,
Bombay.
26th March, 1918.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the business till recently carried on by The FORTUNA STEAM LAUNDRY CO., LTD., a Company registered under the Indian Companies Act, 1913, as a Private Company has been sold as a going concern to Manekji P. Damania and Ramji Mahadeo Suratwalla on the 12th day of March, 1918, and that the said Company is not responsible for any dealings and engagements of and in relation to the said business from and after the 13th day of March, 1918.

Notice is also given that all linen tendered to the Company for washing and deliverable between the 7th and 20th March last, both days inclusive, and also that deliverable before the 7th March last, but not taken delivery of will be delivered by the said purchasers on payment of respective charges and in exchange for cash memos and that all claims for shortage, damage or otherwise in respect of linen tendered to the Company for washing, on or before the 12th day of March last, should be submitted to the undersigned within 8 days from date hereof after which date no such claim will be entertained by the Company.

Dated this 25th day of March, 1918.
DAPHTARY FERREIRA & DIVAN,
Attorneys for The Fortuna Steam Laundry Company, Limited.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC that Messrs. GAJANAND JINABHAI and SADANAND JINABHAI, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell to our client the immoveable property described hereunder:—

All persons having claims against or to the said property either by way of inheritance, gift, sale, mortgage, lien, lease, or otherwise are hereby required to make the same known in writing to us at our office at 91-99, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same if any will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION.

All that piece or parcel of free hold pension and Tax land or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Ardeshir Dady Street, Girgaum, outside the Fort of Bombay in the Registration District and Sub-District of Bombay admeasuring 114 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 140, New No. 1233, Old Survey No. 2 and New Survey No. 1/7457 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates Taxes under D Ward No. 1550 and Street No. 8 and bounded as follows: that is to say on or towards the East by the Ardeshir Dady Street, on or towards the West by the Sweepers' passage, on or towards the North by the property of Framji Khursetji and on or towards the South by the property of the Vendors and which said premises were formerly and are now in the occupation o the Vendors and their Tenants.

Dated this 26th day of March, 1918.
KHANDVALA & Co.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of SATWARA NARSI VIRJI, late of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, a Hay Merchant .....Deceased.

(1.) DAMA ANAND and (2.) VALJI VIRJI, both of Bombay Satwara Hindu Inhabitants, Grass Merchants, residing at Northbrook Street, outside the Fort, the Executors named in the said Will .....Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Probate

Witness Sir STANLEY LOCKHART BATCHELOR, Knight, Acting Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this Twentieth day of March, in the year of our Lord One Thousand nine hundred and eighteen and in the Eighth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) P. B. MALABARI,
Actg. Registrar.

(Sd.) W. J. HOWARD.

The 20th day of March, 1918.
MESSRS. MEHTA DALPATRAM & LALJI,
Petitioner's Attorneys.
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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

IN INSOLVENCY.
No. 146 of 1918.

Re HEMRAJ JAIRAM, of Bombay, Bhatia Hindu, a Merchant, residing at Vadgadi and also at Walkeshwar and lately carrying on business at Vadgadi, outside the Fort An adjudged Insolvent.

EXPARTE:—The Firm of Jamnadas Haridas; ..... Petitioning Creditors.

WHEREAS the abovenamed Hemraj Jairam has been this day duly adjudged to have committed an act of Insolvency under Section IX of the Presidency Towns Insolvency Act, 1909, (III of 1909). It is ordered that all the estate and effects of the said Insolvent do vest in the Official Assignee of this Honourable Court, and it is further ordered that the said Insolvent do, immediately after the service of the order of adjudication upon him, attend the Office of the said Official Assignee.

Dated this 26th day of March, 1918.
R. B. PATEL,
Chief Clerk.

Chief Clerk's Office, High Court, Fort, Bombay, this 26th March, 1918.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MARIA JUDITH AZAVEDO and MARIANHO DE AZAVEDO, of Bombay, Christian Inhabitants, have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any claims against the said property by way of mortgage, charge, lien, inheritance, trust, gift, sale, easement, or otherwise howsoever or any objection to the sale are required to make known the same in writing to the undersigned at their office at 5, Bell Lane, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise all such claims, if any, will be deemed to be waived and the persons setting up such claims will be precluded therefrom and the purchase will be completed without regard to any such claims.

SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

All that piece or parcel of Pension and Tax land or ground situate, lying and being at Lady Jamsedji Road, Mahim, without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1080 square yards registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 318, New No. 4034, Old Survey No. 1/92 and New Survey No. 3122 together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G. North Ward No. 4909 (1), and Street No. 297 and which premises are bounded as follows that is to say:—On the North by a public passage, on the South partly by the house belonging to the Musjid Vanjoiwadi and partly by the vacant land appertaining to the house of Haji Khamisa Cassum Gatkai dedicated to the said Masjid on the East by the Lady Jamsedji Road and on the West partly by the property of Ramjan Badulla and partly by the property of Hissamudin Bade and the flowers pots lying in the premises

Dated this 26th day of March, 1918.
JAMSEDJI RUSTOMJI & DEVIDAS,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V. by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of KORAMAL BHAWANIDAS, of Hyderabad (Sindh) Hindu Inhabitant, late a partner in the firm of Khujesta Khursetji and Company, residing at Dana Bunder, without the Fort of Bombay .....Deceased.

1. KHUJESTA KHURSETJI SEERVAI, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant, residing at Cumballa Hill, without the Fort of Bombay and (2) CHANDUMAL BHAWANIDAS, of (Sindh) Hyderabad Hindu inhabitant, residing at Koliwada, without the Fort of Bombay, both of them Merchants and partners in the firm of Khujesta Khursetji and Co., the Executors and Trustees named in the Will of the said deceased .....Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir STANLEY LOCKHART BATCHELOR, Knight, Acting Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, this Fifteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and in the eighth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) P. B. MALBARI,
Ag. Registrar.

(Sd.) W. J. HOWARD.

The 15th day of March, 1918.
Messrs. MERWANJI KOLA & Co.,
3387 Petitioners Attorneys.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of RAKHMABAI, widow of JANARDHAN YESOBA CHINCHANKAR, of Bombay, Daivadnya Brahmin Hindu Inhabitant Landlady .....Deceased.

(1.) JAYRAM NANA VAIDYA, (2.) VINAYAKRAO NANABHAI HATE, and (3.) BALARAM LAXMAN ACHAREKAR, all of Bombay Daivadnya Brahmin Hindu inhabitants, residing respectively at Cavel Road, Girgaum and Dukar Lane, outside the Fort, three of the Executors named in the Will of the deceased abovenamed .....Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir STANLEY LOCKHART BATCHELOR, Knight, Acting Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid this twenty-sixth day of March, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and eighteen and in the eighth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) P. B. MALABARI,
Acting Registrar

(Sd.) W. J. HOWARD.

The 26th day of March, 1918.
Messrs. MANEKLAL AND CO.,
Petitioners' Attorneys.
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LEGAL NOTICES.

INTENDED LEASE OF THE RAJA BAHADUR MOTILAL PITTY MILLS AT BOMBAY

NOTICE.

PRIVATE OFFERS are invited by R. D. Sethna, Esquire, the Receiver appointed by the High Court in suits No. 678 of 1917 and No. 688 of 1917 for the lease of the Mills and premises known as Raja Bahadur Motilal Pitty Mills Bombay, for the purpose of working of the Mills. Every person desiring to take the lease of the said premises is required to fill in and sign with his name and address the form of tender attached to the Particulars and Conditions of Lease copy whereof can be obtained on payment of Rs. 2 from the Receiver at his office at No. 57, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, or from the undersigned at 14K, Hummum Street, Fort, Bombay.

The tender must be sealed and accompanied by a deposit (which deposit will be returned if the tender is not accepted), as provided by the Conditions and must be submitted to the said Receiver on or before the 5th day of April 1918.

The Receiver does not undertake to accept the highest or any tender.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1918.
MERWANJI KOLA & Co.,
Attorneys for the abovenamed Receiver.
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INTENDED LEASE OF THE RAJA BAHADUR MOTILAL POONA MILLS AT POONA.

NOTICE.

PRIVATE OFFERS are invited by R. D. SETHNA, Esquire, the Receiver appointed by the High Court in Suits No. 678 of 1917 and No. 688 of 1917 for the lease of the Mills and premises known as Raja Bahadur Motilal Poona Mills, Poona, for the purpose of working of the Mills. Every person desiring to take the lease of the said premises is required to fill in and sign with his name and address the form of tender attached to the particulars and conditions of sale copy whereof can be obtained on payment of Rs. 2 from the Receiver at his office at No. 57, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, or from the undersigned at 14 K, Hummum Street, Fort Bombay.

The tender must be sealed and accompanied by a deposit (which deposit shall be returned, if the tender is not accepted), as provided by the Conditions and must be submitted to the said Receiver on or before the 5th day of April, 1918.

The Receiver does not undertake to accept the highest or any tender.

Dated the 20th day of March, 1918.
MERWANJI KOLA & CO.,
Attorneys for the abovenamed Receiver.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

No. 573.
23/3/18.

E. 548.
Recd. 18/3/18.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

PETITION for Probate of the last Will and Testament of KORAMAL BHAWANIDAS, of Hyderabad (Sindh) Hindu Inhabitant, late a partner in the firm of Khujesta Khursetji and Company, residing at Dana Bunder, without the Fort of Bombay .....Deceased.

1. KHUJESTA KHURSETJI SEERVAI, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant, residing at Cumballa Hill, without the Fort of Bombay and (2) CHANDUMAL BHAWANIDAS, of (Sindh) Hyderabad Hindu inhabitant, residing at Koliwada, without the Fort of Bombay, both of them Merchants and partners in the firm of Khujesta Khursetji and Co., the Executors and Trustees named in the Will of the said deceased .....Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir STANLEY LOCKHART BATCHELOR, Knight, Acting Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, this Fifteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and in the eighth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) P. B. MALBARI,
Ag. Registrar.

(Sd.) W. J. HOWARD.

The 15th day of March, 1918.
Messrs. MERWANJI KOLA & Co.,
3387 Petitioners Attorneys.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of PURSHOTAMDAS NAROTAMDAS, late of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, a merchant .....Deceased.

(1.) RAMCHANDER NAROTAMDAS and (2.) NARAYANDAS PURSHOTAMDAS, both of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants, residing at Bapu Khote Street, without the Fort, the two surviving Executors named in the Will of the deceased abovenamed .....Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir STANLEY LOCKHART BATCHELOR, Knight, Actg. Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this twenty-third day of March, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and eighteen and in the Eighth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) P. B. MALABARI,
Acting Registrar.

(Sd.) W. J. HOWARD.

The 23rd day of March, 1918.
Messrs. MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM AND MADAN,
Petitioners' Attorneys.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

REFERRING to the Notice appearing in the Issue of the "Bombay Chronicle" and "Sanj Vartaman" on the 23rd instant and on the 25th instant in the "Bombay Samachar" over the signature of Messrs. Bhaishanker, Kanga and Girdharlal, intimating to the Public that our clients, Messrs. Dayalji Jetha, Andarji Dayalji, Bhagwandas Dayalji and others, have no share or interest of any kind whatsoever in the firm and business of Moti Jetha or in the firm of Moti Jetha and Co., Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents of The Sir Waghji Wadhwan Camp Manufacturing Co., Ltd., as from Aso Sud 3rd, Samvat 1972, and warning the public against dealing with our clients in respect of the said business our clients hereby inform the public that the statement aforesaid made in the said Notice about our clients having no share or interest in the business of the said firms is entirely untrue. Our clients say that their share and interest in the business of the said firms continues and still subsists in every respect as before and the public are hereby warned against dealing in any way with Damodar Walji, Kalianji Valji, Popatlal Valji, Gopalji Makanji, Hakemchand alias Bhikalal Mangalji and others in connection with the business of the said firms except with the consent and concurrence of our clients he or they will do so at their own risk.

Dated this 26th day of March, 1918.
RAGHAVAYYA NAGINDAS & Co.,
Attorneys for Messrs. Dayalji Jetha and others, the partners of the firms of Moti Jetha and Moti Jetha and Co.
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration de-bonis-non with the Will annexed of the property and credits limited to the property mentioned in the schedule of Bai SOONDER, widow of GORDHAN KARAKCHAND, late of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant ...Deceased.

PRAGJI DHARSEY and JAMNADAS DHARSEY, both of Bombay Hindu inhabitants, merchants, residing at Hamam Lane, without the Fort of Bom ..... Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness SIR STANLEY LOCKHART BATCHELOR, Knight, Acting Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, this sixteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and eighteen and in the eighth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) P. B. MALBARI,
Acting Registrar.

(Sd.) W. J. HOWARD.

The 16th day of March, 1918.
Messrs. MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM AND MADAN,
3398 Petitioners' Attorneys.

SALE BY AUCTION.

BENNETT & CO.
NO. 29, APOLLO STREET.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

THIS DAY WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and CO., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Alexandra House, Merewether Road, Apollo Bunder, near Taj Mahal Hotel, very valuable and handsome teak and blackwood mahogany and rose wood furniture by Dewjee Canjee and others, rich glass and crockeryware, best platedware, old Chinaware, solid silver presentation, cups, very rich beaded screens and purdahs, sliding dining table, arm and armless chairs, sideboard and dumbwaiters, drawing room sofas and easy chairs, Singapore cane chairs, carriage clock by "Bennett," rich cabinets, Persian and Brussels Carpets, large durries, electric lamps, glass door book cases, one lot books, fancy brass ornaments, teakwood and iron single bedsteads, mirror door almyrahs, dressing chest of drawers, dressing and wash-hand tables, cloth and gown presses, writing tables, teapoys, rich engravings and oil paintings, English ice box, three large zinc lined chests, one zinc lined linen press, very old specimen of West Indian shell work consisting of a silver wire back of flowers, in mirrors white shells, China matting, aluminium, utensils, number of plants mostly palms, etc., etc. The property of R. H. H. Hopkins, Esq., Shipping Master.

The property of another gentleman going upcountry.

One 20 H. P. 4 cylinder, 4 Seater mitchwell car, newly painted and hood thoroughly overhauled.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

On SATURDAY, the 30th day of March, 1918, at 2-30 p.m., (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at New Queen's Road, above Bombay Cycle and Motor Agency, very valuable and handsome teak and blackwood household furniture, rich glass and crockery ware, best plated ware, dining table, arm and without arm chairs, sideboard and dumbwaiters, rich carpets, wall clocks, drawing room Chesterfield sofas and easy chairs, rich cabinets, copper enamelled vases and jars, English cabinets, one ebonized cottage piano by Shiedmayer, single and double bedsteads, dressing and washhand tables, dressing chest of drawers, mirror almyrahs, cloth and gown presses, revolving top writing table, office chairs, book cases, baba perambulator, baba tricycle, baba cot, bentwood furniture, cane chairs etc., etc.

The property of N. N. Bharucha, Esqr.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

On SATURDAY, the 30th instant, at 3-30 p.m., (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT & CO. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.

AT 2 P. M. (S. T.)

1 second hand rubber tyred vis-a-vis, in good order.

1 second hand rubber tyred victoria, in good order.

1 second hand rubber tyred palanquin office shigram.

1 Bay Arab horse, aged, quiet in harness.

BENNETT, & CO.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918.

SALE BY AUCTION.

MESSRS. SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO
AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.
21, Medows Street.

SALE OF 250 BAGS SMALL GRAIN CASIPUR SUGAR AND 250 BAGS CASIPUR CRYSTAL SUGAR.

Messrs. SORABJI COWASJI and Co., will on SATURDAY, the 30th day of March, 1918, at 3 p.m. sell by Public Auction at the godown of Aga Haji Mehedy Isphany, close to his office at old Modi Khana (Kawakhana Lane) the following:—

By order of Aga Haji Mehedy Isphany and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser Meghji Parmanand of Bazaar Gate and Khan Bazaar.

S. J.
M. M. ISPHANY,
Bombay.

250 bags Casipur small grain sugar each 164 lbs. net (2 Bengali maunds) arrived from Calcutta.

On account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser Mathuradas Bhawani and Co. of Khan Bazaar.

M. M. ISPHANY
Crystal,
Bombay.

250 bags Casipur Crystal sugar each 164 lbs. net (2 Bengali maunds).

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of knocking the lots to the purchaser and the balance shall be paid and goods cleared next day of the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY SITUATE AT KAMATIPURA 11TH LANE.

Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE and Co., Auctioneers, will under instructions from and by order of Balbhudra Lalajee Herjee Lalajee and on account and at the risk of Adamalli Allibhoy Suratwalla, Abdullabhoy Hajee Ramjan, Mahomedalli Tyeballi trading under the name of Messrs. S. S. Suratwalla and Co., and pursuant to the power of sale reserved to the Mortgagees under the indenture of Mortgage dated 5th April 1917 sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of April, 1918, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) on the premises the undermentioned property.

PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of quit and ground rent land or ground, containing by admeasurement 118 8/9 square yards or thereabouts together with all messuages, tenement or buildings standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Kamatipura 11th Lane outside the Fort of Bombay in the registration sub-district of Bombay, and assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 4441, 4442, and New No. 10951, 10952, Old Survey No. 3883, 3884 and New Survey No. 2/6534 and 6635, and assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under E Ward Nos. 1915 (2) and 1916 and Street No. 15, 17, 19, 21 and bounded on or towards the North by sweepers passage, on or towards the South by Kamatipura 11th Lane, on or towards the East by property of Bai Ashubai, and on or towards the West by property of Narayan Ellapa.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Unwalla Peerozshaw and Papa attorneys for Mortgagees at their office in Prince Building Medows Street, Fort Bombay, or to the undersigned Auctioneers.

SALE OF 250 BAGS CASIPUR SMALL GRAIN SUGAR AND 250 BAGS CASIPUR CRYSTAL SUGAR.

Messrs. SORABJI COWASJI and Co., will on WEDNESDAY, the 27th March, 1918, at 3 p.m. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction at their sales rooms 21 Medows Street the following.

By order of Aga Haji Mehedy Isphany, and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser Mathuradas Bhewani and Co., of Khan Bazaar:—

S. G.
M. M. ISPHANY,
Bombay.

250 bags each 164 lbs. net (2 Bengali maunds) Casipur small grain sugar.

250 bags each 164 lbs. net (2 Bengali maunds) Casipur Crystal Sugar, arrived from Calcutta.

The bags are now open for inspection at Shed No. 4 Wari Bunder, G. I. P. Railway Goods Depot and the sale will take place at the rooms 21, Medows Street, of the Auctioneers on the above mentioned day.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of knocking the lot to the purchaser and the balance shall be paid and goods cleared next day after the sale. The goods will be sold against Wari Bunder Delivery and Town duty and Mukadamage is to be paid by the buyer.

SORABJI CAWASJI & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918.

GANDHI & CO
AUCTIONEERS & COMMISSION AGENTS
No. 52 Medows Street.

SALE TO-DAY AT 4 P.M. (S.T.).

AUCTION SALE OF 200 PACKAGES DRIED GINGER.

THIS DAY WEDNESDAY, the 27th March, 1918, at 4 p.m. (S.T.) Messrs. GANDHI and Co., Auctioneers will sell by public auction by order of Thaker Karsondas Dharamsey and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser Thaker Keshavji Ramdas at the godown of Memon Suleman Moosa and Sons, near Iron Mart:—

200 packages dried ginger of Calcut. of Fagan Sudi 2 Vayda.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

SALE TO-DAY AT 3 P.M. (S.T.).

AUCTION SALE OF WHITE JAVA SUGAR.

THIS DAY WEDNESDAY, the 27th March, 1918, at 3 p.m. (S.T.) Messrs. GANDHI & Co., Auctioneers will sell by public auction Java Sugar Ex. S. S. "Niel Nielson" C. I. F. Bombay, Delivery by order of Sheth Haji Abdulla Haji Taiyab at his shop in Khand Bazar and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchasers:—

Marwari Dwarkadas Kedarbaksha:—
502 bags white java sugar, mark B. K./M. B. K.
502 bags white java sugar, mark P. W. D./ M. B. K.

Sheth Kooverji Hariram:—
251 bags white java sugar, mark B. K./M. B. K.
251 bags white java sugar, mark P. W. D./ M. B. K.

Sheth Vasanji Damji:
251 bags white java sugar, mark P. W. D./ M. B. K.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and the balance shall be paid and delivery order taken on the next day.

GANDHI & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918.

MENESSE & CO.
No. 35, HUMMUM STREET, FORT.

AUCTION SALE OF 2 BALES BLACK SHAWLS.

Messrs. MENESSE & Co., will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 27th March, 1918, at 3 p.m. (S.T.), at their rooms by order of the concerned and on account and at the risk of Mr. Solomon Ezekiel Abed the following goods arrived per s.s. "Massilia."

2 Bales Black Shawls 41 by 41 inches.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required on the lots being knocked down.

MENESSE & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918.

SALE BY AUCTION.

J. S. MODY & CO.
20, APOLLO STREET, FORT.
Telephone No. 3409.

AUCTION SALE ON SATURDAY, THE 30TH MARCH, 1918, AT 2-30 P.M. (S. T.).

Messrs. J. S. MODY and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 30th day of March, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), at Church Gate Street opposite the "Dady House," Fort, very valuable teak and blackwood made-to-order household furniture comprising sliding dining table, arm and armless chairs, dinner waggons, dumbwaiters, meat-safes, rich glass and porcelainware, rich platedware, refrigerator ice chest, marble top tables, teapoys, upholstered drawing room suites, rich carpets, flower vases, glass bead door chicks, bedsteads, mirror and panel door almyrahs, clothes and gown presses, bedroom chest of drawers, dressing and wash-hand tables, clothes and gown presses, easy chairs, hatstands, iron safe with stand, aluminium cooking utensils, electric ceiling fans and lights, etc., etc.

The property of Lieut. N. George and others.

Catalogues will be published and the property is on view.

AUCTION SALE OF 35 BALES SASSOON'S WHITE NAINSOOKS.

On THURSDAY, the 4th day of April, 1918, at 3 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. J. S. MODY and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms in Apollo Street, next to the Post Office, by order of Mr. Mostafa Bin Abdul Latiff and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchasers, Messrs. Hajee Seyed Mohamed Kazrathi and Sons of Fort, Bombay.

35 bales Sassoon's White Nainsooks each 50 pieces No. 999, 50 inches into 20 yards arrived per S. S. "Mahanada" and entered in the Bonded Warehouse.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale against the delivery orders and the balance shall be paid and goods removed from the Dock Bonded Warehouse within 3 days from the date of sale.

All expenses such as duty, fees, etc., to be paid by the purchasers.

J. S. MODY & Co.
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918.

MESSRS. MEHTA & CO
Auctioneers to the Government and G. I. P. Railway.
No. 25, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay.
Telephone No. 1285.

AUCTION SALE OF 100 CASKS, BLEACHING POWDER.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant at 3 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. MEHTA and Co., will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, No. 25 Medows Street, Fort, by order of the office concerned and on account and at the risk of Seth Manecklal Choonilal Shroff:—

100 casks each 1 cwt. Bleaching Powder.

Note—The above casks are in good conditions and are on view.

AUCTION SALE on SUNDAY, the 31st instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), of the office furniture relating to the concerned of Messrs. J. Fachiri at Hornby Road, opposite the Petit Library.

On SUNDAY, the 31st instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. MEHTA and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, opposite the Petit's Library at Hornby Road the very valuable and neat polished substantial furniture such as office tables, arm chairs, typists tables, rolled top desks, stationer cupboard, sliding glass door cupboards, show cases, very rich and substantial office partitions, 5 feet high Milner's fire resisting safe on stand, dining tables and chairs, hat stands, wooden benches, sample racks, etc., etc.

The property of Messrs. J. Fachiri and others.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view three days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF 100 CASKS SPENCE'S LUMP ALUM.

On WEDNESDAY, the 3rd April, at 2 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. MEHTA and Co. will sell by Public Auction, by order of Messrs. Fredoon and Co. at their Godown at Mandvi Koliwada and on account and at the risk of Messrs. Lalji Devraj and Co.

Ex. S. S. "City of Madras."
100 casks Spence's Lump Alum.

MEHTA & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918.

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COMMERCIAL

BOMBAY MARKETS.

COTTON.

(From our Commercial Correspondent.)

Mar. 26.

There is very little business doing in forward delivery. Yesterday the ready market was firm and the same tone prevails to-day.

The Bombay Cotton Trade Association has to-day revised the Room rates of 25th instant for the March settlement, which are as follows:—

BOMBAY COTTON TRADE ASSOCIATION.

QUOTATIONS 26th MARCH 1918.

Growths.	Super-fine.	Fine	F.G.	Gd.	Delivery.
M.G. Bengals	690	673	630	585	Ready.
H.G. Sind Punjab	685	675	630		"
M.G. Wardha		740	720		"
M.G. Nagpore		740	720		"
M.G. Yeotmal		730			"
M.G. Dhamangaon Pulgaon		720			"
M.G. Amraoti		720			"
M.G. Khamgaon Akola Fair staple		715	695		"
M.G. Khandesh			670		"
M.G. Muthia		690	665		"
M.G. Broach	800	785			Ready.

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of cotton produce, etc., for the 48 hours ending 6 p.m. of 25th March 1918:

Cotton	5,745	bales.
Wheat	23,359	cwts.
Linseed	1,616	"
Rape, &c.	826	"
Gingellyseed	Nil	
Poppyseed	Nil	
Groundnuts	2,467	"
Castorseed	9,887	"
Rice	10,023	"
Myrabellams	607	"
Cottonseed	Nil	
Mowrasced	Nil	
Gram	2,844	"
Jowar	1,620	"
Maize	467	"
Barley	1,387	"

THE BOMBAY COTTON EXCHANGE CO., LD.

Market Quotation for Ready and Forward Delivery Contracts as fixed by the Rate Committee of the Exchange.

COLABA, 26th March 1918, at 6-30 p.m.

Growths.	Super fine	Fine	Fully Good	Good	Delivery.
Bengals (M.G)	673	663	601	571	Ready
Scinde-Punjab (M.G.)	673	663	601	..	Ready
Khandesh (M.G.)	..	..	650	..	Ready
Akola Khamg Karanja (M.G)	..	700	680	..	Ready
Amraoti (M.G.)	..	703	686	..	Ready
Dhamanganm Poolgaum(M.G)	..	710	690	..	Ready
Yeotmal (M.G.)	..	715	695	..	Ready
Nagpore Kamptl (M.G.)	..	725	705	..	Ready
Wardha H'ghat (M.G.)	..	725	705	..	Ready
Mathla (M.G.)	..	670	640	..	Ready

MONEY AND SHARE MARKETS

BULLION.

Bar Gold 26-6.
Sovereign 16-5.
Silver Ready ex-duty 103-12.
Silver 1st Sett. 103-14.

EXCHANGE.

Bank Tel. Transfer 1/4 31/32.
Bank Demand Draft 1/5 1/32.
3 Months Sight Credits 1/5 13/32.
Bank Demand on France Fr. 192.
3 Months Sight Francs Fr. 198½.
D. D. on Shanghai Rs. 220.
D. D. on Hongkong Rs. 315.
T. T. on Japan Rs. 149½.
60 Days Sight Japan Rs. 144½.
Bank Demand on New York Rs. 297.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

The following are the nominal rates:—
5 per cent. War loan 1929-47.
Ex-warrant 93/12.
5½ per cent. War Bonds 1920-1922 99.
4 per cent. Conversion Loan 80.
4 per cent. Terminable Loan 93.
3½ per cent. Paper 67.
4½ per cent. Port Trust long dated due 1926 88.
4 per cent. Port Trust long dated 76.
4 per cent. Municipal long dated 76.
4 per cent. Municipal short dated 78.
4 per cent. Bombay City Improvement Trust long dated 78.
5 per cent Municipal Tansa 93.
5 per cent. Municipal Sanitary 93.
The following are the bank rates:
Bank of Bombay 6 per cent.
Bank of Bengal 6 per cent.
Bank of Madras 7 per cent.

SHARES.

The share market was weak on account of speculators' selling freely. There was a big decline all round, the By. Stock exchange will reopen on Tuesday 2nd instant Standards 1,945, Swadeshi 2,055, Tata Mill Ordy. 855, Simplex 775, Shapurji 125, Pearls 570, New Greats 325, Morarji 2,925, M. Petit 2,050, Madhavji 2,280, Luxm Cotton 1,670, Kasturchand 1,200, ndl. Malwa 362/8, Ind. Bleeching 195, Finlay 407-8, Fazulbhoy 837-8, David 575, Currimbhoy 380, Crescent 246-4, Century 425, Nagpur 2,445, Advance 1,180, Tata New Ordy 95, Tata Old Deferred 1,075, Tata New Deferred 365, Alcocks 935, Tata Hydro 1,200.

The following are the closing rates of the New Stock Exchange:—

Swadeshi 2,055, Shapurji 130, New Greats 332/8 Luxmi Cotton 1,700, Kohinoor 1,125, Fazulbhoy 840, Crescent 245, Nagpur 2,440, Advance 1,145, Tata Ordy. 245, Tata new Ordy. 90, Tata Old Deferred 1,072/8, Tata New Deferred 375, Alcocks 932/8, Bombay Tramway 385.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Mar. 26.

There was very little trade reported to-day the market closing early and a holiday feeling prevailing. Jute mill shares were again lower. Only business being bears covering yesterday's sales, very much lower prices were recorded. Only a small trade took place in coal shares. A new Coy the Churulia Coal Co. Ltd. bought out by Messrs. F. W. Heilgers and Co. changed hands at Rs. 15-4. In other directions there was very little doing. The stock exchange is now closed until the 2nd of April. Following were closing quotations:—

Coal:—Bokaro and Ramgurh 17-8; Churulia 15-4; Kasta 2-12 p.; New Katras 10-8.

Jute:—Clive (ord) 214; Delta (ord) 635; Fort William (ord) 303; Kamarhatty (ord) 570; Northbrook (ord) 50; Reliance (ord) 38-8; Waverley 9-10.

Miscellaneous:—Bengal Brass 21-4; Bengal-Nagpur Cotton (ord) 226-8; Bengal Paper (ord) 109; Cossipur Cotton Ginning 43-4; Indian Galvanizing 6 p.; James Glendye, 17-8.

Rubber:—Scudai 6.20.

Government paper three and a half per cent was quoted at Rs. 67-2 to 67-6 and small lots were done at Rs. 67-8 to 67-12.

BANKS.

Names and Amount paid up.	Face value.	Div. Paid.	Last Div.	Quotations sent to buyers.
INDIAN BANKS.	Rs.			Rs.
Allahabad Bank	100	Feb-Aug.	18%	310
Alliance Bank	100	Jan.-Aug.	14%	320
Bk of Baroda Rs. 50	100	Jan.-July.	11%	76
Bank of Bombay	500	..	16%	1,585
Bank of Bengal	500	Jan.-July.	17%	1,570
Bank of India Rs. 50	100	do.	10%	62/8
Bank of Madras	500	..	12%	1,685
Central Bank Rs. 85	50	..	7%	89
Central Co-op. Bk.	50	..	6%	60
Standard Bk. { O 50 / P 50	100	Jan.-July / do.	Nil. / Nil.	37 / 34
EXCHANGE BKS.				
Chartered Bank	20	Apl.-Oct.	15%	330
Eastern Bank Ltd. £4	£10	do.	6%	71
£12½ A	25	Mar.-Sept.	12%	£261/2
£12½ B	25	do.	12%	£261/2
Hongkong & Shanghai Bk.	$ 125	..	33⅓	£80
National Bank £125	£25	..	16%	£50

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Advance	500	Apl.-Oct.	7½	1,120
Bhiwani Cotton Mill	100	..	7½	102
Bombay Cotton	500	Nil.	..	695
Bombay Dyeing	250	Mar.-Sep.	60	1,500
Bombay United	250	..	40	960
Bradbury Mill	250	..	20	670
Century	100	Mar.-Sep.	20	425
Central India O	500	May-Nov.	190	2,445
Central India P	500	May.-Nov.	5%	410
China	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	463
Cohaba Land & Mill	700	..	40	1,400
Coorla	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	60	680
Crescent	100	do.	11	245/4
Carrimbhoy	250	Mar.-Sept.	20	380
David	250	do.	25	575
Edward Sassoon	250	May.-Nov.	14	290
Emperor Edward	500	..	32	676
Fazulbhoy	250	Mar.-Sep.	60	837/8
Framji Petit	1,000	May	40	1,443
Finlay	250	Apl.-Oct.	25	490/8
Gold Mohor	500	..	25	600
Globe	100	..	Nil	80
Hindustan	1,000	..	80	825
Hydarabad	1,000	do.	60	1,600
India Dyeing	100	do.	12½	195
Indian Manufg.	1,000	..	25	89
Indo-China	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	60	760
Indore Malwa	100	Apl.-Oct.	20	362/8
Jamshed	250	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	100
Jewraj Baloo	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	300
Kasturchand	500	Mar.-Sept.	65	1,200
Khatao	1,000	June.-Dec.	100	2,750
Kohinoor	500	Mar.-Sep.	140	X.D 1,130
Lakshmi Cotton	1,000	Mar. Aug.	190	1,870
Madhowji Dharamsi	500	Apl.-Sept.	250	2,26
Madras United	1,000	June-Dec.	60	1,60
Maneckji Petit	1,000	Mar-Sept.	60	2,150
Meyer Sassoon	100	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	100
Morarji Goculdas	1,000	..	130	2,870
Mysore Spinning	250	Feb.-Aug.	15	420
Nawab of Cambay	500	Apl.-Oct.	20	com. 600
New Great Eastern	200	..	12	325
New City of Bom.	500	Apl.-Oct.	30	1,115
Pearl	250	..	30	570
Phoenix	100	Mar.-Sept.	14	335
Presidency	125	Jan.-July	Nil.	170
Sassoon Cotton	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	600
Sassoon Silk	500	April.	20	X.D. 560
Sholapore	1,000	do	275	7,500
Sir Shapurji Broacha	100	..	Nil.	125
Simplex	250	June-Dec.	50	X D 775
Standard	500	Mar.-Sept.	12½	X D 1,945
Swan	250	Oct.	20	X D 470
Swadeshi	500	Mar.-Oct.	102	2,455
Tata Mill { O / P	500 / 500	.. / ..	.. / ..	853 / 480
Textile	500	Mar.-Sept.	120	2,325
Union	1,030	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	303
Vianu Cotton { O / P	500 / 500	.. / ..	Nil / 70	853 / 620
Western India	1,000	..	85	X D 611

PRESS COMPANIES.

	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
Akbar Press	750	May.	250	6,700
Albert Kurrachee	1,000	Nov.	40	850
Broul's Cawnpore	200	Aug.	8	190
Bellary Press	275	..	15	100
Broach City	200	Oct.	20	130
Fort	475	Nov.	50	850
Godavery Valley	100	..	6	40
Harvey and Sadapat	500	July	40	625
Hindustan P. & M.	250	..	..	145
Hingoloe	100	Sept.	6	100
Indian Cotton	125	Oct.	10	100
Jumna Ging & Pr Co	1,000	..	7	700
Kurrachee Press	500	Jan.	60	850
Khamgaum	400	Sept.	Nil.	310
Mahmudpura Cts.	125	..	7	100
Malwa	200	Oct.	Nil.	120
Mercantile	125	do.	Nil.	80
Manmar Mfg.	250	Aug.	15	625
New East Indian	1,000	Sept.	80	950
New Mofussil Co.	400	Nov.	60	620
New Bara	500	Oct.	40	630
New Prince of Wales	500	do.	80	X.D. 710
Sind	400	Nov.	Nil	1 050
Surat City	200	Oct.	14	170
Volkart U.P.Co.,Ltd.	500	Sept.	30	630
Wadwan G.P.	150	..	..	100

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Dholka	100	Mar.-Aug.	4½%	95
Amritsar Patti	100	do.	6½%	110
Ahmedabad Prantij	500	do.	6 %	635
Ahmedabad Prantij Debenture	500	do.	4½%	Par 625
*Central Provinces	100	an.-July.	6 %	80
*Dhond.—Baramati	100	do.	4½%	80
Guzerat	100	Jan.-June.	6½%	64
Hoshanpur Doab	100	do.	4½%	75
Mandra Bhon Rs. 90	100	Apl.-Oct.	5%	X D.
Pachora Jamur Rs75	100	Jan.-July.	4%	60
Sara Sirajgunj	100	May-Nov.	3½%	85
Sialkot Narowal	100	Feb.-Aug.	4½%	80
*Sind Light R	100	July.-Dec.	7½	125
Tapti Valley	500	Apl.-Aug.	5½%	531
Upper Sind Light	100	Jan.-July	6%	

MISCELLANEOUS COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Electy	100	Jan.-July	4%	111
Alcock Ashdown Co	100	Jan.-May	10%	93½
All-India U.Co.,Rs20	100	Aug.	Rs. 1	
Bamankua	5	..	..	7
Back Bay Bath	50	..	..	com 50
Badhan Pile	70	June	100	
Baroda Tram Co.	100	..	Nil.	40
Brick and Tile	100	..	..	105
Brl. Burma Pf	5	Mar.-Oct.	8	8/8
Bombay Burma	125	Jan.-Aug.	1%	1,120
B. E.S. & T. Co. Ld. O	150	Feb.-Aug.	6%	262/8
P	150	..	10	161
Bombay Ice	40	..	Rs. 2	17
Bombay Flour	500	Jan.-Aug	153	1,550
Bo. Land & Bldgs.	400	..	25	317/8
Bombay Steam { O	200	Apl.-Oct.	20	200
Navigation { P	200	Apl.-Oct.	6%	225
Bundi Cement Co.	10	Nov.-Oct.	..	22/8
Central M.Co., Ltd	10	April.	60%	44
City of Bo. Bldgs Co	500	Dec.-Jan.	25	265
Delhi Flour	200	Sept.	5	105
Empire Life Rs. 50	500	..	42%	320
Tie Eastern { O.	£1	Nil.	Nil.	20
Chemical Co. { D.	£5	Nil.	Nil.	30
Indian Cement Co	250	..	Nil.	320
Katni Cement { O	100	..	17½	220
D	40	..	150	1,210
P	100	..	7½	107
Ind. Mercantile In Co., Ltd., Rs. 50	100	Dec.	8½%	135
Indian Cotton Mill Co { Old 10 / New / Q. 1 Issue / P. 150	100 / .. / 100 / 200	Dec.-July / .. / Dec.-July / March.	7½ / .. / 7½ / 7½	20 / .. / .. / 210
John Roberts & Co.	100	Oct.-July	14	21
Jost's Eng. Co., Ltd	50	Oct.	10%	55
Kamp & Co. Rs. 175	200	July	Rs. 14	165
Karach Lanes Rs. 75	200	..	Nil.	160
Marcks & Co.	100	July	6%	7
Mackenzie Saw Mills	100	..	Rs. 20	230
Marsland Price Co. O	100	..	4%	com. 80
Marsland Price Co. P	100	..	7%	95
O. Govt. S. Life A Rs. 50.	200	May.	30%	395
Phillips & Co.	40	July	11	60
Porta Canning Co.	1,000	Sept.	45	715
Shivraipur Syndcte	10	..	15%	45
Sirdar Carbonic Gas	100	Mar.-Aug.	15%	com. 75
Siddeley Ice Mfg. Co.	100	..	6	10
Tata Iron Steel { O	75	Sept.	15%	243/12
Co { D	25	Sept.	125%	1,075
{ P	150	Mar.-Sept.	8%	147
Tata Hydro Elec. O	1,000	Jan.	8%	1,225
" " P.	1,000	Jan.	7%	1,045
Tata Hydro Deb. Com P.S	1,000	April-Oct.	5½%	652 From
Thacker & Co	1,100	May	30%	295
Telephone Co	50	..	Rs. 6	210

COTTON PRICES IN SIND

(From our Correspondent.)

KARACHI, Mar. 26.

Government have stopped purchasing wheat at Sukkur and consequently the price is going down and is now Rs. 4-13 per maund, the price ruling in the market when Government placed large orders with local firms at enhanced price. Owing to this circumstances and in view of the fact that the new crops which is much better this year will be reaped shortly the price is expected to go down still further and several speculators who have done large forward business at enhanced rates are to suffer heavily. There is excitement in Sind mofussil markets owing to the current rumour that the price of cotton will fall considerably on April 1st and merchants who had large stock of cloth with a view to make large profits from the expected rise in price are disposing of goods even at cost price.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE DAVID MILLS COMPANY LIMITED

The Thirty-second Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders was held at the Registered Office of the Company, Navsari Buildings, Fort, Bombay, on Monday Sir Sassoon J. David presiding.

The Directors, in the course of their report, stated:—The Directors beg to lay before you their annual report together with the Audited balance sheet and profit and loss account for the year ended 31st December 1917, showing the profit of Rs. 10,09,241-10-1 inclusive of Rs. 2,03,1-9-6, brought over from last year's account. Out of this amount, Rs. 1,95,000 have already been paid as Ad-interim dividend for the half year ended 30th June 1917 at Rs. 25 per share, leaving for disposal Rs. 8,14,568-0-3, which the Directors recommend, may be dealt with as under:—

To dividend at the rate of Rs. 40 per share on 7,800 shares, free of Income Tax, (making in all Rs. 65 per share for the year) Rs. 3,12,000; to carrying to depreciation account—to building Rs. 25,000; to machinery Rs. 1,25,000. Rs. 1,50,000. To reserve fund Rs. 1,50,000; to workmen's welfare fund Rs. 50,000; to provident fund capital account Rs. 20,000; to bonus to staff Rs. 10,000; to income tax and super tax provision account Rs. 26,000; to carry forward Rs. 26,568-0-3; total Rs. 8,14,568-0-3.

Considering the fact that your Mills are entirely Spinning Mills, and that prices of cotton ruled high throughout the year, we trust you will regard the above result as satisfactory. This result is mainly due to the good demand for your yarns from both foreign and local markets throughout the year under report.

The prospects for the current year are so far satisfactory in as much as your Mills hold a fair quantity of cheap cotton bought before the present abnormal rates prevailed in the market.

Your Directors have also decided to put up a weaving shed in connection with your Mills, and a site has been prepared by filling up the old mill tank. It is proposed to construct a shed to contain about 1,000 looms with preparatory machinery, and tenders have been invited for the construction of the buildings. It is of course difficult to obtain machinery in the near future, but your Directors hope to avail themselves of the earliest opportunity to instal the requisite number of looms.

The Directors have opened a welfare fund and have carried thereto from the year's profits a sum of Rs. 50,000, to serve as a nucleus. It is proposed to utilize the fund for the well-being of the employees of your mills. The Directors have also opened a Provident Fund and have set apart Rs. 20,000, for the purpose as Provident Fund capital account.

A factory school for the half-timers has also been started and 50 children in all attend the same. Your Directors have also made arrangements to give grain to the work-people at a cheap rate and medical aid is being afforded to the workmen free of cost.

The Directors have sanctioned the following donations in anticipation of your approval:—

Rs. 100 to the Sir J. J. Hospital Nursing Association; Rs. 100 to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital Nursing Association; and Rs. 2,000 to the "Our Day" Fund.

The Mill building and machinery, with stocks of cotton, yarn, cloth, stores etc., are insured against fire to the extent of Rs. 94,44,125.

The profits and fixed charges of the Company have been insured for £10,000.

Two of your Directors, the Hon. Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy Ebrahim and Mr. R. D. Tata, retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.

The report was approved and adopted together with the recommendations made in it.

THE STANDARD MILLS COMPANY LIMITED

The Twenty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of the shareholders was held at the Registered Office of the Company, Navsari Buildings, Fort, Bombay, on Monday, Sir Sassoon J. David presiding.

To the Directors, in the course of their report, stated:—

The Directors beg to submit their annual report with the audited balance sheet and profit and loss account for the year ended 31st December 1917, showing a profit of Rs. 11,50,448-9-9 inclusive of Rs. 15,937-8-2 brought over from last year's account. Out of this, a sum of Rs. 3,00,000 has already been paid as Ad-interim dividend for the half year ended 30th June 1917 at Rs. 125 per share and Rs. 31-4-0 per quarter share, leaving for disposal Rs. 8,50,448-9-9, which the Directors recommend, to be dealt with as under:—

To a further dividend at the rate of Rs. 125 per share on 2,031 whole shares and Rs. 31-4-0 per share on 1,476 quarter shares, free of Income Tax, (making in all Rs. 250 per whole share and Rs. 62-8-0 per quarter share for the year) Rs. 3,00,000. To carry to depreciation account—to on machinery Rs. 1,50,000; to on buildings Rs. 25,000. Rs. 1,75,000. To reserve fund Rs. 1,50,000; to workmen's welfare fund Rs. 50,000; to provident fund Capital account Rs. 20,000; to bonus to staff Rs. 15,000; to income tax and super tax provision account Rs. 1,05,000; to carry forward Rs. 35,448-9-9; Total Rs. 8,50,448-9-9.

The year has been very prosperous one for the Mill Industry and your Mills have participated in the general prosperity.

The prospects for the current year, however, do not appear to be so good, and in view of the uncertain state of the cloth market and the abnormally high prices of cotton, your Directors have thought it fit to strengthen the Reserve Funds of the Company.

The Directors have opened a Welfare Fund and have carried thereto from the year's profits a sum of Rs. 50,000 to be utilized for the well-being of the employees of your Mills. The Directors have also started a provident fund and have set apart Rs. 20,000 as Provident fund capital account.

The Directors have sanctioned the following donations in anticipation of your approval:—

Rs. 100 to the Sir J. J. Hospital Nursing Association; Rs. 100 to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital Nursing Association; Rs. 2,000 to the "Our Day" fund.

A dispensary and a grain shop have also been established in the mill premises, both of which are appreciated by the employees of your Mills. Your Directors also intend to erect Chawls for workmen in the vicinity of the Mills and are trying to secure suitable plots of land.

The Mill Building and machinery, with stocks of cotton, yarn, cloth, stores, etc., are insured against fire to the extent of Rs. 79,20,150.

The profits and fixed charges of the Company have been insured for £50,000.

Two of your Directors, the Hon. Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy, Kt., and Mr. R. D. Tata, retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election, and offer themselves accordingly.

The report was approved and adopted together with the recommendations made in it.

INDIAN WAR LOAN.

BOMBAY POST OFFICE SECTION.

Bombay, March 26th.

	Rs.
Cash Certificates	2,658-4
Total up-to-date	26,81,254-1

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BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS.

The Homeward English Mail will be closed at the General Post Office at 5 p.m. Registered letters will be accepted up to 3 p.m. and parcels up to 2 p.m.
Bombay Branch Royal Asiatic Society, annual meeting, Town Hall, 5-45 p.m.
Laxmi Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd., and Vishnu Cotton Mill, Ltd., Ordinary General Meetings, Wallace Street, Fort, 1-30 p.m.
New City of Bombay Manufacturing Co.; Colaba Land and Mill Co.; and New Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd., Ordinary General Meetings, Churchgate-street, 2-30 p.m.
Madhowji Dharamsi Manufacturing Company, Ltd., Ordinary General Meeting, Canada Building, Hornby Road, 4-30 p.m.
Presentation to Home Rule Deputation, Mulji Jetha Market.
Industrial and Prudential Assurance Co., Ordinary General Meeting, Esplanade Road, 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, Mar. 28.
Holi (Hindu holiday): Banks closed.
High Court: Easter vacation begins.
Cotton Prices Committee sits at Secretariat.

Friday, Mar. 29.
Good Friday: Public holiday, Banks closed.

SATURDAY, Mar. 30.
Easter Eve: Bank holiday.

SUNDAY, Mar. 31.
Easter Day.

MONDAY, April 1.
Easter Monday: Bank holiday.

TUESDAY, April 2.
Meeting of Bombay Co-operative Housing Association, Improvement Trust Office, 6 p.m.

AMUSEMENTS.

TO-NIGHT.

Royal Opera House, Cinema at 6-45 and 10 p.m.
Excelsior Theatre: Bandman Comedy Co. at 9-30 p.m. and Cinema at 6-30 p.m.
Palace of Varieties: "East Lynne" Gaiety Theatre at 6-30 and Red Ticket 10 p.m. Empire Cinema: 6-30, 8-15 and 10 p.m.
Majestic Cinema: Girgaum, near Tram Terminus, 7-0, 8-30 and 10-30.
West End Cinema: Charni Road, 5-30, 7-0 6-45 and 10-15.
Imperial Cinema: Lamington Road, 7-0, 8-45 and 10-30
New Alahambra Cinema: Sandhurst Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-30 (S. T.).
Anglo-American Cinema: Sandhurst Road, 7-0, 8-30 and 10-30.
New Alexandra Cinema: Lohar Chawl, Princess Street.
Eldorado Cinema: Lamington Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-15.

BAND AT THE ESPLANADE.

By kind permission of the Officers the Band of the 1/17 B. B. & C. I. Railway Battalion, (I. D. F.), will play a programme of music under the direction of Mr. W. S. Walcott, to-day, between 6 and 8 p.m. (S. T.).

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

By kind permission of Colonel T. W. Bonner, V. D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Railway Regt., will play this evening, a programme of music, under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, Bandmaster, commencing at 6.

BANDRA MUNICIPAL BY-ELECTION.

The voters of the "B" Ward will give a congratulatory address to Mr. Ignatius DeMonte on Sunday, the 31st instant, at 7-15 p.m. in St. Agnes' School, DeMonte Street, Bandra, in honour of his success at the recent Bandra municipal by-election.

BOMBAY CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING ASSOCIATION.

The next monthly meeting of the Association will be held on Tuesday, the 2nd April, at 6 p.m., at the Improvement Trust Office, when a discussion will be held on the Government order made on the representation of the Association for State Aid for Co-operative Housing Societies. The meeting is open to the public.

BOMBAY BRANCH ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Society will be held to-day, at 5-45 p.m. (S. T.) to adopt the annual report with the statement of accounts for 1917 and the budget for 1918; to elect a committee of management and auditors and to move a vote of thanks to the last year's auditors. After the annual meeting an ordinary meeting of the Society will be held, when Dr. P. D. Gune, will read a paper on "Jainism."

GANDHARVA MAHA VIDYALAYA.

The Maharawal Shri Prithwisinh Bahadur of Banswara State, the Thakoresheb Lakhajiraj of Rajkot, Kumar Shri Vijayadevji Saheb of Dharampur State and Kumar Shri Gumansinhji of Malia State attended the Concert of the Vidyalaya on Saturday. Their Highnesses also paid a visit to the Exhibition of Musical Instruments, and they were much interested in the variety of musical instruments exhibited.

THE HOLI FESTIVAL IN BOMBAY.

Under the auspices of the Marwari Sammelan two meetings will be held in the Morarji Goculdas Hall, Kalbadevi Road, to celebrate the Holi Festival, on the 27th at 2 p.m. (S. T.), and 28th at 8 a.m. (S. T.). Seth Anandilalji Potdar will preside on the 27th and Seth Jainarainji Potdar on the 28th. Lectures will be delivered on social questions by B. Gourishankerji and P. Vishwamitra Konshak and others.
The audience will also be entertained with music and magic shows.

MORTALITY IN BOMBAY.

Fifteen attacks and six deaths from plague and 19 attacks and 13 deaths from small-pox occurred in Bombay on Monday, the plague cases being reported as follows:—Mandvi 4 attacks and 2 deaths; Umarkhadi, Dongri, Dhobi Talao, Kambharwadi, Khetwadi and Byculla, one attack each; Kamatipura, Tardeo, Parel and Worli, one attack and one death. There were no cases of cholera during the day. The total mortality from all causes numbered 148, as compared with 99 of the corresponding day of 1917 and 129 of 1916.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, VICTORIA GARDENS, BYCULLA.

The following services have been arranged for Good Friday and Easter Day:—
Special Musical Passion Service, Thursday, 28th March at 8-30 p.m.
Good Friday Morning Service, at 10 o'clock.
Easter Sunday Morning Service, 10 o'clock.
Preacher, Rev. A. Garland.
Evening Service, at 6-30, Preacher Rev. T. H. Sheriff.

HIGH COURT.

SECOND CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

FIVE CASES OF MURDER.

The second criminal sessions presided over by the Hon. Sir Frank Beaman commenced its sittings this morning at 10-30 a.m. The Hon. Mr. Mahomadbhai Hajibhai the Sheriff of Bombay and Mr. Aston the Chief Presidence Magistrate were also present and took their seat on the bench for some time. The Calender of persons comprised 11 cases, five of which were for murder, one for unnatural offence, one for falsification of accounts, two for theft, one for housebreaking and one for attempting to administer and stupifying drug. One of the prisoners Datoo Tukram charged with theft, pleaded guilty and was sentenced by his Lordship to six months rigorous imprisonment. The trial of then Sitaram Ganoo for murder was then proceeded with.

(Before Justice F. C. O. Beaman and a Special Jury.)

King Emperor v. Sitaram Ganoo, (Accused.)

The accused, a Hindu aged 25, was charged with having committed the murder of one Sitabai, a Hindu woman, on the morning of the 28th of January 1918 at Charni Road.

The Advocate-General with Mr. T. K. Thanawala appeared for the Crown.

Mr. Motilal C. Setelvad appeared for the accused.

The case for the Crown was this: Sitabai lived with one Nana in a room at Duncan Road. The accused about a week prior to the 28th of January, lived on the same room and was on very good terms with the deceased. But about that time Nana turned the accused out of the room and at the same time, Sitabai ceased to be on intimate terms with the accused. Accused went to reside in an adjoining room. On the early morning of the 28th of January Sitabai started for her work as usual to go to the Mangaldas Mills where she was employed. To go there she had to pass by Sandhurst Road to Charni Road. At 6-45 a mill hand employed in the same mill was on his way to work when he saw a crowd at Sandhurst Road. He went to see what the matter was: he saw the accused sitting on Sitabai who was lying on the ground and cutting her throat. When remonstrated with the accused threatened to kill him also. Another employee named Tatia also passing by the same way saw all this. A third employee named Wania Baba, also came up, and when he went to the mill, he informed his mucadam Gopal about what he had seen, Gopal and he then took a policeman with them and went to the scene of murder. Sitabai was dead. There was a wound in her heart and her head was practically severed from her body. The accused was still there and was arrested by the police. He had a knife in his hand and his clothes were stained with blood.

ACCUSED'S CONFESSION.

The accused was then put before a Magistrate. In reply to his Worship who asked the accused whether in view of the evidence given against him he had anything to say. The accused made the following statement:—"Sitabai was my gept mistress and had lived with me for six months in Nana's room at Duncan Road. About a week before the 20th of January Nana brought a Mahomadan boy as her paramour to Sitabai and turned me out of the room. Sitabai also gave me up. I went to live in another room. On the morning of the 28th of January when Sitabai was going to work I caught her and cut her throat and killed her, Nana who wanted to live on the earnings of Sitabai had practised black arts on me to get me out of the way. In consequence I vomited four days before I killed her. I killed her out of revenge and wanted to kill Nana as well."

After the evidence for the Crown had been taken the accused made a statement saying that as he had dismissed Sitabai from his keeping there was a quarrel between him and Sitabai and Nana. As a result they had threatened to kill him and Nana had practised his black arts on him as a result of which he had vomited blood.

The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty and his Lordship sentenced the accused to death said that the jury had come to the only possible verdict they could come to on the evidence, and that his Lordship found no extenuating circumstances which would justify him in passing any other sentence than the extreme penalty of the law.

THEFT OF GUNNY-BAGS.

MERCHANT CONVICTED.

King-Emperor v/s. Kamudin Kasudin.

The prisoner, a Mahamadan, was charged with having on the 15th of February at Bombay committed theft of 20 empty gunny-bags of the value of Rs. 12-8 belonging to Louis Drefus and Co.

Mr. Motilal C. Setelvad appeared for the Crown. The facts for the prosecution were that in the early morning of the 15th February the accused was seen by a police constable carrying a large bundle on his head. The policeman getting suspicious questioned him and made him undo the bundle. In it were found 20 empty gunny bags. The explanation of the accused that he was a merchant and was carrying these bags from his house to his shop was not considered satisfactory by the policeman who took him to a police station. On further enquiry it was ascertained that the gunny-bags belonged to Louis Drefus & Co., and were removed from their compound at Chinchbunder by the accused.

The jury returned unanimous verdict of guilty and his Lordship sentenced the accused to two months' rigorous imprisonment, observing that he would give the prisoner a chance and that he would not furnish him for his past character. His Lordship however warned the accused that if he was convicted again he would be dealt with severely.

DU CASSE FILM CAMPAIGN.

NEW CINEMA ENTERPRISE AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

When the Royal Opera House opens its great cinema campaign next Saturday evening under the guidance of Mr. E. H. Du Casse of Calcutta the picturegoing public of Bombay will at once realise that this theatre is offering them one of the longest, best and cheapest picture programmes in the city; longest by over a thousand feet of film, best because the productions are the work of the finest companies in the business and cheapest because all the prices of seats are to be rearranged to suit everybody. Every stall will cost one rupee, and the gallery will hold five hundred odd people at two annas a head.

The bill for Saturday and Sunday is headed by an All British (Broadwest) film called "The House Opposite," with Mr. Matheson Lang and Miss Ivy Close in the principal parts. For Monday and Tuesday there is a star American (Metro) picture in the programme, called "The Greatest Power" in which Miss Ethel Barrymore plays lead. Other bills will be announced in due course.

Mr. J. H. Cousins of the Madanapalle College, who is on a visit to Poona, will delivery the following public addresses there:—29th March.—A lecture on "Theosophy the Unifier" in the T. S. Lodge, Camp, 7 p.m., 30th March.—A lecture on "To-day's needs in Education", Kirloskar Theatre, 6 p.m.

ALLEGED ROWDYISM IN A THEATRE.

CHARGE OF ASSAULT ON MANAGER OF IMPERIAL CINEMA.

The following complaint was filed in the Court of the Fourth Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, on the 25th instant:—
P. R. TIPNIS .....Complainant.
v/s.
A. MONIZ ..... Accused.
Charge:—Attempt to commit voluntarily causing hurt and assault on the 23rd instant at about 10-30 p.m.
Witnesses:—1. Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas, 2. Mr. Gangaram Atmaram, 3. Mr. Moreshwar Gopal, 4. Mr. Kashinath Trimbak and others.

May it please your Worship:—
I, the complainant abovenamed beg to state on solemn affirmation that I am the Manager of the Imperial Cinema and reside at Lamington Road.

On Thursday the 21st instant, the accused came to the Cinema with a lady and bought two tickets for Rs. 1-8-0 each i.e., for the balcony. My attention was drawn to the accused and his companion occupying seats in the box the tickets for which costs Rs. 6. I went up to tae accused, and told him politely either to buy the tickets for the box by paying Rs. 3 more or to occupy loose seats in the balcony for Rs. 1-8-0 each. Accused said he would pay extra, but when the tickets for the box were offered to him, he refused to pay, and he and his companion continued their seats in the box in spite of our objections. Before he left I asked him again to pay extra, but he became excited and said he would expose the Cinema management in the Press, etc.

On 23rd instant, accused and the same companion came again to the last show i.e., 10-30 p.m. I saw him and instructed the booking clerk to distinctly tell the accused that the accused will have to occupy loose seats on the balcony for Rs. 1-8-0 and will have to pay extra for the box. The booking clerk told him so, but the accused took no heed, and abused him saying who the devil was he to tell him. He came to the balcony with the two tickets for Rs. 1-8-0 each, and the doorkeeper poinfed him the separate seats, but he violently pushed him aside and forcibly occupied the two seats in a complete box for six persons, the tickets for which would cost Rs. 9. That was the only box vacant. I went to him, and asked him politely whether he intended to pay extra Rs. 6 for occupying the complete box. Thereupon accused told me to get out, and gave me a blow on my chest.

AN OUTBURST OF VIOENCE.

I remonstrated with him, and in order not to disturb the audience came out on the terrace. Accused also followed me on the terrace and seized me by the collar of my coat and threw me on a sofa. Then he bodily lifted me up, and tried to throw me over the terrace wall down on the ground below at a height of several feet. Half of my body was hanging out of the terrace wall, and accused made a violent attempt to throw me over, but I seized him fast by his coat; so that if I fell over, he would also fall with me. Doorkeepers came to my rescue. Accused again seize me fast by the collar and threw me violently from one sofa to another, at the same time giving me blows with clenched fists on my mouth and sides, and also soverely twisted my left arm. He very nearly suffocated me by severely pressing my throat. Some gentlemen interfered and rescued me. The accused went in again and occupied seat in the same box. The police was sent for and Deputy Inspector Baker came up and went in as soon as the lights were up an dasked for his name, but he refused. Then he stood up and began loudly to address the audience in the name of the King-Emperor and thus disturbed the whole audience. Mr. Griffith, the Deputy Commissioner of Police, happened to be in one of the boxes and he went up to him and told him not to be rowdy and asked him to go out. He refused and asked Mr. Griffith's name. Then one of his companions from other parts of the theatre came up and persuaded him to go out. Mr. Griffith also went out on the terrace and he again definitely asked Mr. Griffith's name. On the indentity of Mr. Griffith being disclosed to him he gave his card to Mr. Griffith and again went in and occupied the seat in the box and remained there till the end of the show and left without paying extra. I went to the police station, where my complaint was taken down and sent with the police to the J. J. Hospital, where the injury on my arm was treated. I was also bleeding from the mouth owing to blows given by accused. I show a slight abrasion on my left knee.

Under these circumstances, I charge the accused as above and pray that he be dealt with according to law.

Solemnly affirmed in open Court this 25th day of March 1918.

Before me,
4th Presidency Magistrate.

Summons was granted yesterday and hearing was fixed for April 16th.

POSTAL PEON COMMITTED TO SESSIONS

ALLEGED THEFT OF LETTERS.

At the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. Frank Oliviera, yesterday, Deputy Inspector Ferguson charged Rama Babu, with committing theft, as a letter-box peon, of two letters in course of transmission by post on the 23rd March.

The case for the prosecution was that the accused's duty was to clear the letter box and stamp letters in the delivery department. On Saturday last the Head Clerk of the delivery department was informed that the accused, had concealed two letters underneath his coat. The accused was questioned and he said he had done nothing. He was then asked to lift up his coat, which he did, when two letters were found tucked up in his clothes.

The accused was committed to take his trial at the Criminal Sessions of the High Court.

FINED FOR RASH AND NEGLIGENT DRIVING.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. Frank Oliveira, disposed of a case in which Sub-Inspector Khan charged Baker Mahomed, a Mahomedan, motor-car driver, with driving his car in so rash and negligent a manner as to endanger human life. It was alleged that one Mangeshrao Subarao, was cycling along Queen's Road towards the Fort on the 14th instant, when the accused, coming from the opposite direction, suddenly swerved to the opposite side of the road without giving any warning to the traffic. In doing so the accused nearly ran into the car of Mr. H. A. W. Brent, manager of the International Banking Corporation, and escaping this, the accused caught the cyclist and knocked him down, who was on his extreme left. The accused pleaded guilty and said he was taking his car to the other side, because his petrol was finished.

The Magistrate, convicting the accused, remarked that he thought this was a bad case of rash and negligent driving. He sentenced the accused to a fine of Rs. 100, or in default, six weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

MOTOR CLEANER FINED.

At the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. Frank Oliviera, Deputy Inspector Dyer charged Shunker Balwant, a cleaner of a motor car, with theft, as a servant, of a motor car, valued at Rs. 4,000, belonging to his master.

It appeared that the driver of the motor car and the accused, under the orders of their master, took the car to a shop for repairs. The repairs were effected within two hours. The driver went to take his meal, and the accused without the knowledge or consent of the driver or the owner of the repair shop, took the car out.

The accused pleaded guilty.

The Magistrate said it was more or less an offence of a technical nature. He sentenced the accused to a fine of Rs. 30, in default, to fifteen days' rigorous imprisonment.

HOCKEY IN BOMBAY.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT: FIRST ROUND.

HINDU GYMKHANA (2) BEAT INSTITUTO LUSO INDIANO (1).

A fairly interesting encounter was the result of the meeting between these two teams in the first round of the above tournament on the Oval on Tuesday, when the Hindu Gymkhana team qualified themselves for the second round of the tournament by beating the I. L. I. team by two goals to one. The exchanges were fairly even and both sets of forwards suffered equally from missed chances of scoring. Pretty fast pace was kept up throughout and the margin of one goal victory just about represents the superiority of the Gymkhana attacking line, where Jayukar, Sivaram and Sivram were seen to great advantage. Vithal at back was also responsible for some fine clearances. For the I. L. I. team, the forward and halflines were hard working and by far nippier than their opponents but their backs were very slow and did not know how to guard their men.

Singlehurst drew first blood for the Instituto-Luso-Indiano team within 12 minutes from the start and the teams changed sides with the Institute team leading by a goal. After ends had been changed, even play followed for some time and both goals were attacked in turn and eventually Madon, the outside left of the Gymkhana team sprinted down the line and squeezing between the backs equalised amidst cheers. Even play followed during which both sides attacked in turn and two minutes towards the close Talpade scored the winning goal for the Gymkhana team who thus won as stated.

The teams were:—
Hindu Gymkhana:—D. Telang; Vithal and Chandanarain; Mutane, R. Telang and Swami; Jayakar, Sivram, Wagle Talpade.
Instituto Luso Indiano:—Piety; Gonsalves and Coutinho, Rodrigues D'Cunha and D'Sa; Fernandez, Simoes; Fagan, Singlehurst and Roache.
Umpires:—Messrs. Everton and Kapadia.

TO-DAY'S GAME.

Parsi Pioneers v. Parsi Hockey Association.

Unless otherwise notified the matches in the above Tournament will be played as follows:
Thursday, March 28th.—Lusitanian Sporting Club v. Igatpuri Railway Gymkhana.
Friday, March 29th being Good Friday there will be no play.
Saturday, March 30th.—Grant Medical College v. Deolali Casuals Hockey Club.

RESULT AT A GLANCE.

FIRST ROUND.

(1) Rangers beat Elphinstone College (6—3).
(2) Lusitanians beat Government Telegraphs (5—0).
(3) Hornets beat Islam Gymkhana (8—0).
(4) Bombay Gymkhana beat Grant Medicals (A) (0—0), (1—0).
(5) R. G. A. (Colaba) beat Embarkation S. and T. Corps (1—0).
(6) Grant Medical College beat Bandra C. R. S. A. (5—0).
(6) Hindu Gymkhana beat Instituto Luso Indiano (2—1).

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS HOCKEY

The Hon. Dr. Fernandes has presented a Cup for Hockey to be competed for by all the Catholic Schools of the Presidency. The Tournament is called the Catholic Schools Hockey Tournament and is conducted by the Catholic Gymkhana of Bombay. The Tournament will begin on the 11th of April 1918.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

(From our Correspondent.)

CALCUTTA, Mar. 26.

The Calcutta Mansoon Race Meeting will be held on the 20th and 27th July and 3rd and 10th August next. This meeting will be followed by several Extra Meetings, the dates of which will be published hereafter.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

KOLBHAT WADI SCHEME.

An ordinary meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held yesterday, Mr. J. P. Orr presiding.

The Board resumed consideration of the question as to which of the represented areas should be first dealt with.

The Chairman said a letter had been received, from the Municipal Commissioner suggesting that Kolbhat Wadi should be taken up.

It was resolved to circulate the Commissioner's letter.

PRICE OF FIRE WOOD IN BOMBAY.

A notification by the Controller of Prices, Bombay, issued yesterday states that in modification of the Controller's Notification, dated 14th idem, the Governor in Council is pleased to fix the following price for the sale of firewood in the City of Bombay:—

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APPELLATE SIDE BAR ENTERTAINED

The Hon. Mr Justice L. A. Shah entertained the Appellate Side Bar of the High Court to Tea at the Willingdon Sports Club on last Monday evening. The Judges of the High Court and Sir Mahadev Chaubal were amongst the guests of the evening.

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE
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"WHAT A HOME RULER OUGHT TO KNOW."

At this time of day it is not necessary to emphasise why the reforms embodied in the Congress-League Scheme should be granted as a first and immediate instalment of the establishment of Home Rule in India. The question is not one of logic at all, but of natural rights for the practical vindication of which in all parts of the world, the war is now being waged by Britain and her Allies. "Like Democracy," as Bernard Shaw wrote some years ago in his characteristic fashion with reference to Ireland, "national self-government is not for the good of the people; it is for the satisfaction of the people. One Antonine emperor, one Louis, one Richelieu, may be worth ten democracies in point of what is called good government; but there is no satisfaction for the people in them. To deprive a dyspeptic of his dinner and hand it over to a man who can digest it better is a highly logical proceeding; but it is not a sensible one." There may be a hundred-and-one arguments advanced against the granting of responsible government to India on many plausible grounds based on *a priori* considerations of diverse conflicting interests, incapacity and the like, but they are all overweighed by the one supervening consideration that in claiming the right to govern themselves Indians are claiming a natural right. When, for instance, to quote Bernard Shaw again "a man insists, in spite of the irrefutable demonstrations of many able pessimists, from the author of the Book of Ecclesiastes to Schopenhauer, that life is an evil, on living, he is asserting a natural right to live." Similarly the Indian people are asserting their natural right to a "national" existence when they insist on seeing their country governed according to their ignorance instead of the wisdom of a foreign bureaucracy; that is, when they insist, as Mr. Gandhi put it the other day, on exercising the human right to err. "All demonstrations of the virtues of a foreign Government," to quote Bernard Shaw finally, "though often conclusive, are as useless as demonstrations of the superiority of artificial teeth, glass eyes, silver windpipes, and patent wooden legs to natural products."

Apart from all this, an equally strong case against the bureaucracy that has been ruling the country for a century and more—uncontrolled by the people and responsible to an authority hundreds of miles away—is that it has had so few virtues that its government of the country has been, on the whole, anything but good. That is a fact that is historically and statistically demonstratable and has often been successfully demonstrated. Among the various publications in which successful attempts made in the latter direction —especially recently—the brochure "What a Home Ruler Ought to Know" issued by the Karachi Home Rule League is, in many ways, most useful alike for its brevity and its method of presentment. The pamphlet has been compiled with a view to present to the public a general statistical survey of the position India occupies among the nations of the world, respecting, income, wealth, literacy, sanitation, cost of administration and the like. All the statistics have been collected from official and other reliable sources. The various statistical tables which are explained by short notes, bring home clearly the low sanitary condition, the appalling ignorance, and the general poverty in which the masses of India are eking out their existence after a century and more of "enlightened" rule, on the top of which all comes the killing cost of foreign administration. As to the poverty of the people, the annual average income of an Indian, as calculated by Government is £2 only, a sum which, as the compiler says, is much less than what an average European spends on drink in a single year and "the average wealth of an Indian is £9-10s.—a sum not even half of what England annually spends on feeding an average pauper." The United States of America with a population of 100 millions has about 350 universities and spends more than 30 per cent. of its revenue on education. India has only five universities for a population of 244 millions and spends less than 6 per cent. of the annual revenue on education. The Viceroy gets a salary which is much more than what even a rich country like the U. S. A. pays to its President and a mere provincial governor is paid much more than even the Prime Minister of England receives. The "tin gods" of the Government get equally fat salaries and while almost all the higher posts are the especial preserve of the white hierarchy and carry excessively high salaries, most of the subordinate posts occupied by Indians do not carry even a living wage. And the compiler concludes:

It is a strange irony of fate that those brave souls who have ventured to complain and protest against this miserable state of affairs, have more often than not been condemned, shackled or deported by the Indian bureaucracy, notoriously averse to any adverse comments. This has naturally resulted in great discontent, and it will be a bad day both for England and India, if the discontent is allowed to grow. The policy of bartering away India's interests to a "white minority" should immediately cease, and the sons of the soil given the fullest right of self-determination and self rule. India is at present disgracefully backward in the race of National advancement, and it is only Home Rule that will enable it to catch up with the progressive nations of the world.

THE NEW POONA COLLEGE.

The Bombay University affiliated the New Poona College, a few days ago, on the motion of Principal Covernton for B. A. in certain subjects. Principal Apte and Prof. Gharpure of the College deserve warm and hearty congratulations. The Senate taking a leaf out of the book of Government has thought fit to impose onerous conditions on the College and to limit the number of students for B.A. But we can trust the tough Deccani spirit to surmount all these difficulties. It is impossible to make out why the Senate should be so hard on new colleges which require time to grow while the old colleges are apparently free to admit any number they please. Some provision at least should have been made for the normal growth of the College. There are already 240 students in F. Y. and 120 in I. E. classes of the New Poona College. The number allowed in the I. E. is obviously inadequate for the needs of the College and consequently 75 students in each of the B. A. classes sanctioned by the University is too small a number, unless we are to suppose that the College is to refuse admission to its own students. With the establishment of the New Poona College, Poona will have three full grade Arts Colleges, one Agricultural College and one Engineering College. If Government develop the Medical School into a Medical College and materially aid the Deccan Education Society to start a science college or start one themselves, Poona will eminently qualify itself for a university. With this end in view, colleges should be grouped together as far as possible. At present the three colleges in Poona are in three corners of Poona and inter-collegiate lectures are practically an impossibility. Prof. Limaye's suggestion that the New Poona College should seek its site in or about Bhamburda is to the point and we also trust that Government will make it easy for the College to acquire one, by utilising the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act.

While on the subject, it may be desirable to remind Government of its own obligations in the matter of the Karnatak College. We agree with Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola that primary education has a dominating claim on Government but it should by no means monopolise the attention of Government. With Lord Haldane we feel that the great problem to-day is the welding of the educational system of this country into one complete whole in which elementary education, secondary education and the university shall all be indissoluble parts of one system. As he himself has put it beautifully elsewhere, our elementary teaching should be linked to something beyond and that something beyond should be linked to something yet beyond. The Bombay University has allowed Government three years to raise the status of the Karnatak College and we hope Government will awake and convert it into a first grade college. It should not wait for the first College, though we wish both to be taken in hand early, if possible. While there is so much activity in the mofussil, it is rather saddening to find that the metropolis has not yet realised its duty and responsibility. Lahore has seven and Calcutta 14 colleges but we are toddling still with three, of which Government conducts one and the missionaries two. The Indian Education Society has already appealed for funds for a college in Bombay and we hope it will meet with a wide response. We are glad to learn that some other societies also are thinking of starting colleges in Bombay. There is room in Bombay for twenty more colleges.

ILLEGAL EXACTIONS IN PANCH MAHALS.

In our issue of the 16th January last, we quoted a case of "All sorts of rapacity" by a village officer in Panch Mahals District. This attracted the attention of the Hon. Mr. G. M. Bhurgri of Sind, who asked questions about the same in the last Sessions of the Legislative Council. Government replied that "The facts of the case are that the Talati asked the local vegetable dealers to contract for the supply of some specified vegetables to the camp (of the Collector). Owing to the prevalence of plague and other difficulties, the latter decided among themselves, who should take up the contract by holding an auction, the bids representing the compensation to be paid to the contractor." A thorough investigation has been made into this case and the results communicated to us and we are assured that it is far from the truth that the vegetable dealers decided among *themselves* as to who should take up the contract and as to what compensation, if any, was to be paid to the contractor for the supply of vegetables to the Collector and his camp.

Our information is that it was the talati of the town of Halol (where the officer in charge of the taluka stays) who gave the contract to one of the vegetable dealers himself and settled Rs. 22 as compensation to be paid to him, presumably for the contractor, by each of the other vegetable dealers. Moreover, one of the so-called vegetable dealers, Bhaiya Bholadin by name, does not deal in vegetables but in parched gram and pounded rice (Chana-Kurmuro). He also sells bhajias and for their preparation, he has to keep a stock of onions and potatoes. Because Bholadin happens to keep a stock of these two dry vegetables, the talati impressed Bholadin as a vegetable dealer and made him along with others poorer by two rupees. Now we ask, on the statement we have made above, for which we have authentic proofs, if it is not but fair that the poor villagers should be reimbursed their hard-earned money and that either the talati or the officers for whom the supplies of vegetables were ordered should find the money? It is not enough that orders were issued forbidding resort in future to the arrangement of supplying by contract and holding an auction for compensation. It is essential that somebody, whoever he be, at fault should be punished for these illegal exactions, and that the news of his punishment should be circulated by Government to all village officers in the Presidency as deterrent against the continuance of this fifteenth-century practice.

Official and Personal.

His Excellency the Viceroy has selected Colonel C. R. M. Green, I.M.S., Derajat Brigade to succeed Colonel Robinson as Inspector-General Civil Hospitals, Central Provinces.

We understand that Mr. Ratanji Sorabji Dadachanji B.A., LL.B., Bar-at Law has been appointed to act as the Fifth Judge of the Bombay Small Causes Court in the place of Mr. M. D. Kanga retired. Mr. Dadachanji practised as a Vakil of the High Court in the Small Causes Court for about 10 years; and after his call to the Bar he practised in the High Court.

Notes of the Day.

The Supreme Moment.

Never since the war began has the whole Empire been stirred to its depths so much as at this moment in watching with expectant but confident interest the development of the ordeal which the British army on the Western front is undergoing. The messages which the King-Emperor and the Cabinet have just sent to the brave army best express the feelings which agitate every citizen of the Empire at "the fortitude, courage and self-sacrifice" with which the troops under Field-Marshal Haig's command "continue so heroically to resist greatly superior numbers." "We shall steadfastly continue to do the utmost to deserve the inspiring confidence which your Majesty and people throughout the Empire have placed in us in this hour of national stress." This is the reply given on behalf of the soldiers of liberty who are prepared to sacrifice all so that the cause may win and the more cheerfully so at the assurance which the Caninet's message conveys that their task will be carried through to the finish.

Tibbia College of Delhi.

We published in our columns yesterday an account of the 29th annual meeting of the Ayurvedic and Unani Tibbi Madrasah of Delhi. It is an institution which deserves more than ordinary attention inasmuch as it is concerned with revivifying the dessicated bones of an indigenous science whose practice was of prime importance once. The Ayurvedic and Unani Tibbi systems, have, ever since the introduction into India of the Western systems of treatment, suffered considerably in the estimation of a certain section of educated Indians. Nor can it be denied that indigenous medical science like most other arts and sciences which once prospered in India has been left a good distance behind in the march of modern progress, and thus impoverished under sheer neglect, dictated by undue adherence to antiquated theories and out-of-date methods of treatment, it has lost much of that effective usefulness which alone can claim for it the title under which it goes at the present day. Both the Ayurvedic and Unani systems have further suffered at the hands of a vast variety of quacks, who immune from the usual restrictions of laws until lately used to perpetrate iniquitous crimes in the name of the science.

Hindu and Mahomedan Culture Harmonised.

A combination, therefore, of rather extraordinary circumstances thus brought about a state of degradation into which the indigenous systems of medicine had sunk and it needed a stalwart and devoted champion like the late Haziqul Mulk Abdul Majid Khan of Delhi to conceive a schema to rescue the Ayurvedic and Unani systems from the doom to which they appeared to be hurrying. He it was who boldly laid the foundation of the Tibbi Madrasah which since the death of the founder has progressed steadily under the devoted and indefatigable efforts and fostering care of Hazique Mulk Hakim Mohammad Ajmal Khan. It was solely due to the unremitting energy and personal influence of Hakim Ajmal Khan that Lord Hardinge was induced to lay the foundation stone of the A. and U. Tibbia College, thus setting the seal of official recognition on the institution, and conferring upon it a dignity which was eagerly sought for it by all true patriots, to whom the revival and cultivation of all indigenous arts and sciences is a religious duty. In this institution one finds the first definite evidence of the practical harmonisation of Hindu and Muhammadan culture. It appears to have been the first serious attempt to translate into practice the doctrine of Union, which will be further exemplified in a practical form in the forthcoming conference in Bombay.

A Complaint from High Quarters.

In view of the fact that complaints regarding the lack of transport and other facilities on the Indian railways have become pretty frequent, we think the following observations occurring in the annual report on the working of the Punjab colonies for the period ending September, 1917, should prove interesting. "The Lieutenant-Governor," it is observed,

"on his recent tour to the Lyallpur market towns heard many complaints of the failure of the Railway authorities to give notice of the withdrawal or modification of transport facilities, and of the inadequate provision of sheds and other protection for goods at most of the large exporting stations. In view of the large revenues accruing to the railway from the agricultural produce booked from these stations, some of which export a larger tonnage of wheat than any other place in the Empire, it is discreditable to the administration that huge quantities of grain, *bhusa* and cotton have to remain exposed to the weather often for weeks, and that the holders of large grants, *e.g.*, Major Vanrenen, should have to erect sheds at their own expense. Military requirements doubtless make the subject one of peculiar difficulty at present, but the attention of the Railway authorities has been drawn to it and Sir Michael O'Dwyer earnestly hopes that a more liberal policy will be adopted at the earliest possible opportunity."

In Whose Interest?

As one reads through the paragraph, the reflection dawns on one's mind that this complaint is not solely in the interest of the small colonist. We had expected to hear more names than one of "the holders of large grants." But the report is, curiously enough, silent on this point, and mentions only one name—that of Major Vanrenen—as having erected sheds at his own expense. There may be small holders, too, who have done so to protect their corn, *bhusa* and cotton from exposure to the weather. The report, however, does not seem to exhibit the same feeling of concern for the small holder as it does for the other. We do not desire to labour this point further. But we are glad to notice that Sir Michael O'Dwyer recognizes that "it is discreditable to the administration" that this state of things should prevail. Military exigencies, to which reference is made at the end of the paragraph, must remain paramount, no doubt; but that is only where the transport facilities have been withdrawn or modified. We do not think it will be seriously contended by Sir Michael O'Dwyer or any other administrative authority that military exigencies can ever prevent the Punjab railway administration from erecting a few sheds for the stocking of grain, *bhusa* and cotton, pending their despatch as waggons become available.

SUCCESS OF FRENCH ANTI-AIRCRAFT.

52 ENEMY MACHINES FELLED AND 50 DISABLED IN A MONTH.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

A French communiqué says from February 15th to March 15th 52 enemy aeroplanes were brought down either on fire and 50 others were disabled. We lost 29 machines.

GREAT AIR ACTIVITY.

MASSES OF ENEMY TROOPS BOMBED AND MACHINE-GUNNED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 26.
Recd. 5-15 p.m., Mar. 26.

Last night's British communiqué dealing with aviation says, there was very great air activity and the day was remarkable for the weight of bombs dropped and the number of flights. Many thousands of rounds were fired from low altitudes upon enemy troops; aeroplanes reported progress of the battle and informed the artillery of suitable targets; low fliers bombed and machinegunned masses of troops in the battle area.

Over 1,700 bombs were dropped in the daytime on different targets including Bruges docks, Aulnaye railway station, a large camp south-eastward of Cambrai and on high velocity guns and hostile reinforcements. The fighting was the severest experienced. We brought down 47 enemy machines and drove down 22 out of control. Ten of ours are missing.

After dark the airmen continued bombing and machinegunning enemy troops opposite the battlefront. They also bombed the Bruges dock and the aerodrome between Tournai and Mons used by the night fliers. Over fourteen tons of bombs were dropped. All returned. One large enemy bombing machine landed behind our lines.

COLOGNE, LUXEMBURG AND METZ BOMBED.

Following the successful daylight raid on Mannheim and other objectives in Germany attacked during the night, we dropped half a ton on railway stations at Cologne, starting a fire, over a ton were distributed on the Luxemburg railway station, where a fire started, and the Courcelles railway station eastward of Metz, and two tons on the Metz railway station. Direct hits were obtained on a bridge south-east of the town and on a stationary train which caught fire. A large fire was also started.

Another ton was dropped on the Thionville railway station, where a moving train was derailed and a fire caused. All our machines returned.

GERMAN RAIDER AGASSIZ.

SEIZED BY U. S. WARSHIP.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 24.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 26.

An American warship has brought to the Pacific port the sixty-foot motorboat Agassiz manned by a German crew. It is stated that the vessel was operating as a raider in the Pacific and was capable of sinking any merchantman. It is alleged that she was fitted out on the west coast of Mexico.

HOSTILE AIRSHIP OVER EGYPTIAN COAST.

REPORT FROM CAIRO.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

A telegram from Cairo says it is officially stated that a hostile airship has been observed over the coast.

AIRSHIP OVER CRETE.

REPORT BY GREEK WAR MINISTRY.

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

The Greek War Ministry announces that on the evening of the 21st an airship appeared over Crete travelling northward.

FIGHTING ON BRITISH FRONT.

BATTLE CONTINUES WITH GREAT VIOLENCE.

POWERFUL ATTACKS REPULSED NORTH OF BAPAUME.

FRESH HOSTILE ATTACKS.

ENEMY DRIVEN BACK WITH HEAVY LOSSES.

VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT FROM BAPAUME.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

A British communiqué this afternoon says the battle continues with great violence on the whole front. We heavily repulsed powerful attacks yesterday afternoon and evening northward of Bapaume, the Germans at only one point reaching our trenches from which they were immediately thrown out.

Our fire stopped attacks elsewhere before our positions and the enemy was driven back with great loss. Fresh hostile attacks developed last night and this morning in this neighbourhood, also southward of Bapaume. Our counter-attacks southward of Peronne drove back enemy parties who had crossed the river between Licourt and Brie.

VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT FROM BAPAUME.

GERMAN ADMISSION OF HEAVY LOSSES

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 2-45 p.m., Mar. 26.

It is authoritatively stated that the British have retired voluntarily from Bapaume, westward of which we possess excellent defences. The town itself is relatively unimportant. It is significant that German correspondents speak of the German losses at Bapaume as being comparatively heavy.

TITANIC STRUGGLE CONTINUES UNABATED.

HOW THE ENEMY CROSSED THE SOMME

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 26.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters wiring this evening says:—The titanic struggle continues unabated, although the enemy artillery bombardment shows a tendency to decrease owing to the increasing difficulties of advancing guns. On the other hand, no stage of war has seen such close infantry fighting. Yesterday the British infantry in a bayonet charge broke the ranks and secured 120 prisoners. One battalion of the twenty-fourth division captured a post in a great quarry commanding one of the main lines of enemy advance and fought to the last man delaying the enemy and piling up corpses in a semi-circular barricade, breast high, around the quarry. The manner in which guns, tanks and transport have been withdrawn behind the retiring line constitutes a marvellous feat.

BRITISH BLOW UP SOMME BRIDGES.

After crossing the Somme we blew up all bridges except one which was so commanded by our guns that it was more advantageous to leave it. The enemy casualties in the efforts to cross the Somme have been prodigious. Again and again massed parties on rafts and pontoons have been annihilated by guns. Ultimately passage was effected by the famous Brandenburg Iron Corps near Licourt under a hailstorm of fire and only after innumerable failures. At a certain place a large force of the enemy had thrust a way through and gained what promised to develop into a distinct tactical advantage, but during the enemy pause to reorganise ten tanks advanced and caused havoc among the German ranks and finally drove them back.

REMARKABLE SCENES BEHIND BRITISH LINE.

Scenes on the roads leading to the rear have been most remarkable during the past three days with parties of civilians and villagers shepherded by soldiers mixed with Labour groups of impassive Orientals in all varieties of headgear, African natives grinning as though the thing was a huge joke, here a clay-caked armoured-car speeding back for ammunition, there a motor-lorry stacked with maps and records with a red-hatted officer perched on top.

GERMANS FOLLOWING CRUSH-THROUGH TACTICS.

Fulfilling the traditional crush-through tactics the German infantry is pushing forward unsupported by artillery, the High Command trusting to overwhelming weight to break down all resistance. This affords unique opportunities for our fieldguns to spray the human swarms. Yesterday at High Wood and Delville Wood the machine-gunners simply carpeted the earth with corpses before retiring. Before long the fatherland must be asking the price at which the offensive is being waged.

FIGHTING OF FIERCEST DESCRIPTION.

The weather is becoming unsettled and the glass is falling. The latest news is that fighting of the fiercest description is continuing.

GERMANS CONTINUE CRUSHING TACTICS.

EFFORT DIRECTED AGAINST THE SOMME.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Mar. 25
Recd. 12 noon Mar. 26.

Reuter's correspondent at the British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says throughout the long hours of bright sunshine yesterday and moonlight the Germans continued their crushing tactics against our troops who have fought their wayto the rear positions with valliant stubbornness. The enemy maintains the same old tactics relying on weight and constantly pushing fresh troops through his tired divisions. These new troops press the forward without waiting for artillery support. The enemy employing many small bodies of Uhlans mainly as scouting patrols.

This morning we were counter-attacking between Nisle and Ham. The French are also in action. North of Bapaume the enemy attacked with considerable force at dawn but did not pass our barrage. German agents are spreading alarming reports amongst the civilian population in the neighbourhood of the battle-zone but these are summarily dealt with when caught.

A WAR OF MOVEMENT.

The spearhead of the enemy effort is still directed against the old Somme battleground where our troops have been slowly falling back upon the new positions under tremendous pressure destroying everything likely to be useful to the Germans en route.

Hostile airmen were very active all last night bombing our communications but show little inclination to compete with our airmen in daylight.

The situation in many places remains very confused which is natural in the fighting that has assumed more of the character of a war of movement than at any time since the battle of the Marne. The spirit and determination of our troops are beyond words. Enemy losses continue enormous.

MARVELLOUS BRITISH DISCIPLINE.

RESISTANCE TO CEASELESS TIDE OF ENEMY.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Mar. 26.
Recd. 11-50 p.m., Mar. 26.

Mr. Philip Gibbs says:—British heavy and fieldguns have been handled with marvellous disipline in rearguard actions over positions which had become untenable, the gunners firing for hours at masses of Germans moving in close vicinity and causing deadly losses. But the masses did not cease to advance and they bore down on the defenders by a ceaseless tide. Some guns were abandoned but many were withdrawn across the Somme, gunners taking up new positions and reentering action like exhibition batteries.

Wiring yesterday Mr. Gibbs said that the enemy's progress had been stopped and it seemed certain that our armies are now able to control the situation within limits of safety. We are holding good lines and the blackest shadows are beginning to lift.

AS VIEWED IN WASHINGTON.

Best informed opinion in Washington is absolutely confident. American military critics warn the public against unreservedly swallowing German communiques which are obviously chiefly inspired by the deliberate intention of creating gloom anxiety and fear among the Allies.

RAPID MOVEMENT OF HEAVY GUNS.

ENDLESS COLUMNS OF GERMAN HOWITZES.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Mar. 26.
Recd. 11-50 p.m., Mar. 26.

Mr. Percival Phillips says:—The most remarkable feature of the advance of the

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BOMBARDMENT OF PARIS.

ALL PUBLIC SERVICES WORKING NORMALLY.

SPEED OF GERMAN PROJECTILES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

The long range gun resumed bombardment at 6-50 this morning and ceased at 9-30. All public services worked normally.

KING'S CONGRATULATIONS TO TROOPS.

MESSAGE TO GENERAL HAIG.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

The Press Bureau states that the King has sent the following telegram to Field Marshal Haig:—

I assure you that the fortitude, courage and self-sacrifice with which the troops under your command continue so heroically to resist greatly superior numbers is realised by me and my people. The Empire stands calm and confident in its soldiers God bless them and give them strength in this time of trial.

ARMY'S THANKS.

SIR D. HAIG'S REPLY TO KING'S MESSAGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 5 p.m., Mar. 26.

The Press Bureau states that Field-Marshal Haig has replied as follows to the King's message:—

Your Majesty's message has given universal encouragement to the whole army. I beg your Majesty to accept our grateful thanks and assurance that we shall steadfastly continue to do the utmost to deserve the inspiring confidence which your Majesty and people throughout the Empire have placed in us in this hour of national stress.

"THE COUNTRY'S HONOUR DEPENDS ON OUR SOLDIERS,"

THE CABINET'S MESSAGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 4-45 p.m., Mar. 26.

The Press Bureau states that the Cabinet wishes to express to the army the nation's thanks for its splendid defence.

"The whole Empire is filled with pride watching the heroic resistance of the brave troops against overwhelming odds. Knowing their steadfastness and courage whenever the country's honour depends upon their valour the Empire confidently awaits the result of this struggle to defeat the enemy's last desperate effort to trample down free nations. We at home are prepared to do all in our power to help in the true spirit of comradeship. Men necessary to replace all casualties and guns and machine guns required to make good the losses are either now in France or are already *en route*. Still further reinforcements and guns are ready to be thrown into battle.

LLOYD GEORGE."

FEELING IN LONDON.

ENEMY BLEEDING COPIOUSLY.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 12 noon Mar. 26.

London is talking and thinking of nothing but the battle and crowds yesterday waited for special editions containing Field-Marshal Haig's communiqués and Reuter's specials. The whole feeling is one of undiminished confidence in the army. There was momentary depression in consequence of the phrase in Field-Marshal Haig's Saturday morning communiqué that the defensive system west of St. Quentin had been broken through but the later communiqués were more confident showing that the army was holding and there were no signs of disorganisation. On the other hand, all accounts suggest that the enemy is bleeding copiously.

Experts are unanimously optimistic in their comments.

The "Daily Chronicle" says assuming German losses to be at least 150,000 they have sustained a reverse for they have not obtained a strategical success directly conducing to a decision, while they have lost eight or ten per cent. of their effectives without similarly lowering the Allies' efficiency. This is a matter of the greatest importance to him at the present critical moment when the man-power pendulum is swinging in favour of the Allies. No weakness at the Anglo-French junction has yet been disclosed and the task before the enemy in the next phase of the battle is more formidable than that accomplished.

NEWSPAPER OFFICE SEARCHED IN HYDERABAD.

(From our correspondent.)

HYDERABAD (Sind), Mar. 26.

The offices of the newspaper "Hindu" ("Hindvasi"?) were searched to-day.

WORLD PEACE NOT YET.

HERTLING ON THE SITUATION.

DISPOSAL OF RUSSIAN PROVINCES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 21.
Recd. 11 p.m., Mar. 26.

Speaking in the Reichstag Count Hertling said that Esthonia and Livonia were east of the frontier fixed by the Brestlitovsk treaty "But we hope to have close friendly relations with these countries."

He declared that Germany's enemies had not yet showed the least inclination to finish the terrible war hence the responsibility for further bloodshed was on their heads. (Loud cheers except from the Left.)

He suggested it was necessary to police Esthonia and Livonia until internal security was gauranteed. The destiny of the Courland which had old cultural relations with Germany was reserved till conditions there had been consolidated. With regard to Lithuania he referred to the resolution of the Lithuanian national council for close union with Germany and foreshadowed ultimately an "independent" Lithuania. The Independence of Poland had been proclaimed by two Emperors in 1916. Hence the further shaping of that State was only possible by negotiations between Austria and Germany on one the hand and Poland on the other. Speaking generally of Russia, von Hertling said that Germany did not contemplate opposing the "Justified wishes" of liberated Russia.

Von Hertling concluded:—When peace with Rumania has been signed then peace will reign on the whole eastern front. But do not indulge in delusions. World peace has not yet been accomplished. Our enemies' aims seem still to be to fight until we are destroyed. We shall not lose courage. We are prepared for everything and are ready to make further heavy sacrifices. (Cheers). God will continue to help us. We have confidence in our incomparable army and in our steadfast nation

ENEMY CAPTURE NISLE AND GUISCARD.

FALL OF BAPAUME.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 4-45 p.m., Mar. 26.

The Press Bureau states that our troops this morning from the Somme northward to Wancourt beat off continuous heavy attacks with complete success, our artillery and machine guns inflicting heavy losses. Our low flying aeroplanes repeatedly attacked the enemy's advancing columns farther in the rear. A heavy attack in the afternoon by fresh enemy troops enabled them to progress westward and southwestward of Bapaume in the direction of Courcelette.

We have been pressed back southward of Peronne in several places to slightly westward of the Somme. The enemy farther south made some progress capturing Nisle and Guiscard.

French reinforcements are arriving in this neighbourhood. Our troops though tired are in good heart and fighting splendidly. The enemy is only progressing at the cost of heavy sacrifices. Our losses of material have been heavy and include a number of tanks.

Sir Douglas Haig telegraphs that enemy troops occupy Bapaume.

NEW GENERALS CONDUCTING NEW OFFENSIVE.

AMIENS AS NEXT OBJECTIVE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 4-45 p.m., Mar. 26.

"The Times" says it is extremely significant that the enemy appeared to have appointed a whole series of new generals to conduct the great offensive. It was Von Huiter who took Riga in September that broke the British defences west of St. Quentin with the resultant retirement of the whole British line between the Scarpe and the Oise. Broadly speaking all our forces between Arras and Peronne are moving back in the direction of the old line we held at the beginning of the battle of the Somme in 1916. The objective of the German advance is clearly Amiens whose fall might enable the enemy to threaten our northern line, strike at the Channel ports and endanger Paris, but the Germans have not broken through our armies and positions are available which it is believed are strong enough to check further advance however formidable. The real test is still to come.

ENEMY'S CEASELESS REINFORCEMENTS.

DESPERATE FIGHT ROUND NESLE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 5 p.m., Mar. 26.

A French communiqué says, the enemy is furiously and ceaselessly bringing in reinforcements. Our troops, obeying orders, are yielding ground foot by foot, delivering vigorous counter-attacks and inflicting heavy losses.

A desperate fight occurred round Nesle, which changed hands several times. Rheims received 1,375 shells during the past 24 hours.

GERMAN EXPECT LONG STRUGGLE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 26.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 26.

German newspapers are preparing the public for a long struggle. "The Cologne

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PASSIVE RESISTANCE IN KAIRA.

MR. GANDHI HEADS MOVEMENT.

REFUSAL TO PAY REVENUE.

VOW FOR RYOTS.

SEQUEL TO OFFICIAL CONTUMACY.

As a result of the refusal of Government to recognise the serious state affairs in the Kaira District and grant a suspension of revenue collection, a passive resistance movement has been inaugurated under the leadership of Mr. Gandhi. Ryots are, at his instance, signing a vow not to pay the full or remaining revenue and to suffer any consequences of their action. Our correspondent who send an account of the meeting on the 22nd instant at which the movement was inaugurated states that 200 farmers, some owing up to a hundred or more bighas, had already signed the declaration and we hear from private sources that the movement is spreading.

(From our special Correspondent.)

NADIAD, Mar. 24.

A large and representative public meeting of the agriculturists of the Kaira district was held at Nadiad on the 22nd instant under the presidentship of Mr. Goculdas D. Talati, when in view of the Government's refusal to suspend the revenue collection till the next year Mr. Gandhi advised the people to resort to Satyagraha, i.e., passive resistance.

The meeting was attended by leading agriculturists of almost every large village of all the seven talukas.

MR. GANDHI'S APPEAL.

Mr. Gandhi said that the occasion which was so important that it would be enshrined in their memory for ever. For some months past an agitation had been set on foot regarding the failure of crops in the Kaira district and they petitioned the Government to suspend the collection of the revenue till next year. The crops had been generally less than four annas this year and so according to Government regulations the collection of revenue ought to be suspended till next year. Although inquiries into this matter were made by the Gujerat Sabha, Messrs. Patel and Parekh and the three members of the Servants of India Society and although all of them had come to the conclusion that the kharif crops had generally failed, he (Mr. Gandhi) undertook personally to inquire into the matter and report to the Government his conclusions. He therefore inspected about thirty villages of different talukas and his co-workers traversed about four hundred villages. And the general conclusion was that in most of the villages the crops were less than four annas, in a few of them between annas four and six and in still fewer villages annas six only. During the inquiry he had several interviews with the Collector and the Commissioner and he had also addressed the Governor on the matter. The final result of his correspondence with the Government was that the Government was not able to grant any more suspensions, and that it would resort to coercive measures to collect the remaining revenue if it was not paid up by the people. And it was heard that the Government had begun to act accordingly.

THE REMEDY.

Mr. Gandhi then explained what people should do in face of such a situation. He said that if the people really and honestly believed that their crops were less than four annas they ought not to prove that they were wrong by paying up their dues. He then pointed out that, although Kaira was a rich district, this year its people were compelled to resort to labour and such other means for their maintenance. And if the Government was prepared to collect the revenue in spite of such a condition of the district, of course it was intolerable for them. Briefly explaining why the rich should not pay for the protection of the poor he advised each and every agriculturist to resort to Satyagraha and not to pay the whole of the remaining revenue, but allow the Government to recover in any manner it pleased.

Mr. Gandhi added that a nation could not rise unless it makes immense sacrifices and underwent sufferings. And so the people here must even be prepared to give up their lands.

He then pointed out the consequences which might arise if people did not pay up the revenue. The Government might attach their property, confiscate their land or might even imprison them. But they must be prepared for all these consequences. They must even be ready to vacate the whole of their villages. The seriousness of these consequences was emphasised by Mr. Gandhi in details.

VOW OF PASSIVE RESISTANCE.

He then appealed to the people to sign a declaration to the following effect:—

DECLARATION.

(*Translation.*)

Knowing that the crops of our village are less than four annas we had requested the Government to suspend the revenue collection till the ensuing year. As however Government has not acceded to our prayer we, the undersigned, hereby solemnly declare that we shall not pay the full or remaining revenue, but we will let the Government take such legal steps as they may think fit to collect the same and we shall gladly suffer all the consequences of our refusal to pay. We shall allow our lands to be confiscated, but we shall not of our own accord pay anything and thereby lose our self-respect and prove ourselves wrong. If Government decide to suspend the second instalment of the revenue throughout the district, those amongst us who are in a position to pay, will pay the whole or the balance of the revenue as may be due. The reason why those of us who have the money to pay and still do not, is that if they do the poorer might in panic sell their things or borrow to pay and thereby suffer.

Under the circumstances we believe it is the duty of those who are able to pay to protect the poor.

About two hundred farmers have signed the declaration up to this time. Some of these own lands to the extent of a hundred or more bighas and they are valued at thousands of rupees.

A GERMAN SUBMARINE ENTERS FERROL.

BADLY DAMAGED AFTER FIGHT WITH THREE WARSHIPS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

A telegram from Ferrol says a German submarine of four hundred tons armed with two eleven centimetre guns with a crew of thirty entered there. The commander stated that the submarine had been badly damaged as the result of a fight with three warships.

HAVOC BY BRITISH NAVAL AEROPLANES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 2-45 p.m., Mar. 26.

Naval aeroplanes from Dunkrik between the 21st and the 24th destroyed ten enemy machines, drove down seven out of control, brought down a hostile balloon and carried out three bombing raids on the Bruges docks obtaining many direct hits on the sheds and quays. Some bombs burst close to the destroyers. Aeroplanes attacked several torpedo boats, a destroyer and an armed trawler. One pilot who was forced to descend in the sea was picked up by a French destroyer. All others returned.

SINKING OF A MINE-SWEEPING SLOOP.

ALSO A DESTROYER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 2-45 p.m., Mar. 26.

The Admiralty states that a minesweeping sloop struck a mine and sank on the 22nd. Two officers and sixty-four crew were lost. A destroyer after the collision on the 23rd sank. One officer and one man were lost.

ALLIES AND DUTCH SHIPPING.

HERTZOG'S ATTACK ON ALLIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

CAPTOWN, Mar. 24.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 26.

In the House of Assembly Hertzog attacked the Allies for taking over Dutch ships and asked whether South Africa was a partner in this act.

General Botha pointed out that South Africa as a part of Empire had to do her duty in helping to see the war through. South Africa had not been consulted, but he declined to express views which might lead to further trouble. He emphasised that he certainly would not do anything to help Germany. (Cheers).

GOD SPEED TO M R. TILAK.

MASS MEETING OF 15,000.

MR. TILAK ON NEED FOR CONSTANCY.

The Shantaram's Chawl compound was the scene yesterday evening of a mass meeting attended by about 15,000 people to give a hearty send off to Mr. Tilak and the other members of the Home Rule Deputation.

Besides the members of the Deputation: Messrs. Tilak, Pal, Hon. Mr. Khaparde, Messrs. Karandikar and N. C. Kelkar, among those present were Messrs. P. K Telang, B. G. Horniman, Jamnadas Dwarkadas, Ratansi D. Morarji, Dr. Munge, Hon. Mr. S. B. Upasani, Messrs. K. P. Khadilkar, G. A. Ogle, Dhundiraj Thengoli, S. V. Lalit, Drs. Velkar and D. D. Sathaye, Messrs. Khaparde (junior), Umar Sobani, Gangandharrao Deshpande, Tuljapurkar, Haribhai Amin, M. R. Jayakar and a large number of ladies and gentlemen.

Dr. Welkar, proposing the Hon. Mr. Jinnah to the chair, said that they met there that evening to bid *bon voyage* and safe journey to Mr. Tilak and the other members of the Home Rule Deputation.

Mr. Tuljapurkar seconding said that Mr. Jinnah was the "*jina*" (ladder) of Swarajya and without such a staircase they could not have so easily attained what little they could by this time.

The Hon. Mr. Jinnah on rising to speak amidst loud cheers said that he felt sure that he was voicing the feelings of all assembled that they wished them most heartily *bon voyage*, safe journey and every success in their mission. No man was more fitted to voice the views of India to the English Democracy, than Mr. Tilak who had devoted the whole of his life for the national cause and whose words would carry a great weight in England. "We are maintaining a calm atmosphere," said Mr. Jinnah, "for Mr. Montagu, who is in this country investigating the case of Home Rule for India, and let there be no bungling; let it be quite clear that the demand for the immediate step towards the transfer into our hands of the control of the Government of this country and for the marking of a clear road to establish Self-Government, was the united demand of the people of this country."

It was the birthright of every man and the laying down of the principle of self-determination for India. Mr. Tilak would place their case not only before the English Democracy but before the English Nation.

SCHEME READY.

Mr. Tilak on rising to speak was received with deafening cheers and loud cries of "Vande Mataram." He thanked them all very sincerely for the honour done to him and his party, and for the good wishes for their success. The principle of self-determination laid down that every nation, every country, had to choose the sort of Government they should have, and it should procede Self-Government. They had determined to have Self-Government in the near future—at an early date—and to have a substantial instalment to begin with. While the question of self-determination for the European Nations and the African colonies was disenssed India was excluded. President Wilson said that Ireland should have self-determination and our Prime Minister convened the Irish convention to draft a scheme of their own, but India without any such declaration, formed a scheme of its own. Mr. Montagu came to India and studied on the spot in consultation with the members of the Bureaucracy, who were primarily opposed to any sort of Self-Government in this country. He was to formulate a scheme and act as umpire and arrive at a settlement, a compromise between the two parties—the people and the Bureaucracy. They wanted Responsible Government which was agreed to by the Bureaucracy except in connection with the steps and time for establishing it. The chances of Mr. Montagu's scheme, he thought, though he was an optimist, were not so bright, as many people imagined them to be. Their opponents were trying to impress upon the British people that if Self-Government were granted to India the Empire would go to ruin and that in the interests of the Empire India must be continued to be governed in a despotic manner. A very keen campaign was undertaken by determined people to defeat their object. They had to fight two parties—the Cabinet who would have to be convinced and the Sydenhamites, who would have to be—(Mr. Jinnah suggested—"suppressed"), as our President suggested suppressed. The way was not so smooth, as some believed. The question to be determined was whether if Mr. Montagu's scheme fell short, the leaders would accept the temptation held out and would be prepared to receive something shadowy, but looking substantial. Some of their leaders might advise it, their Anglo-Indian friends and newspapers might. They were going to plead before the British Democracy the cause of Self Government for India, taking their stand upon the Congress scheme. "Stand by us," said Mr. Tilak earnestly, "not now but two months after, like men, resolute men, against anything less than the scheme. There should be no compromise in the matter. (Applause). If you accept any compromise, we shall be left in all humiliation and we shall be laughed at by the whole world. (Cries of No, No.)" The bureaucracy might try to create a split amongst them. The bureaucracy might say that they had done enough and that given something they should be satisfied. "I warn you", said Mr. Tilak, "you will ruin your country if you accept any such compromise."

America did not enter the war simply because of German Kaiserdom to be substituted by Bureaucratic Kaiserdom. She did not go to help England simply because the laltter was her mother country or to protect England, but to stop despotism in any part in the world. He wanted them to be careful, attentive and to act as men—resolute men and to stand by the resolution of the Congress and the Muslim League.

Mr. Khaparde exhorted the audience to guard against the temptation put before them by the Bureaucracy under any guise and not to fall a prey to the compromise attitude and lose everything.

Mr. B. C. Pal said that they owed all to Mr. Montagu for his visit, but he was not sure what would be the practical result of it. He knew this much that the sun of Mr. Montagu who had risen on the political horizon of India freed them from the mosquitoes and fleas of the C. I. D. (shame, shame) who were following them everywhere. The whole question was how to transfer the power from the Bureaucracy to themselves. They were going to England not as mendicants, to beg for gift of Home Rule but going to tell the British Democracy that if Home Rule would not be granted to India, it would be done so at the risk not only of the future of India but of the Empire (Applause).

He thanked them for their good wishes, and hoped and trusted that day and night all would be ready to strive, and work and suffer for the realisation of their aspirations. He concluded by asking all to work without flinching, without violence and without fear. He exhorted them to hold on to the cause, and the banner of Home Rule and thus proceed to victory.

Mr. Karandikar said that it the characteristic of the British people was "knock and it will open."

Mr. Kelkar said that they were going to England to do their duty and they were very much indebted for the kindness and goodwishes.

Mr. Tilak and other deputies were then garlanded amidst cheers.

A hearty vote of thanks to the chair was proposed by Mr. S. R. Bomanji, and seconded by Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas. It was caried unanimously.

The Hon. Mr. Jinnah replying to the vote of thanks assured the meeting that he felt it a very great honour to be asked to preside over the meeting and express their feelings to Mr. Tilak and his party. To Mr. Tilak he gave an assurance that the Congress would stand by the principles it advocated for the last 32 years and as clearly embodied in the scheme; and that the leaders of the Indian National Congress were not likely to be taken into the trap led by the Bureaucracy and that they would not swerve from their resolution by one inch or iota.

The meeting was then dissolved.

BOMBAY LADIES' MEETING.

SENDOFF TO MR. TILAK.

A Ladies' Meeting was held at China Baug last evening to bid good-bye and wish *bon voyage* to Mr. B. G. Tilak and Mr. G. S. Khaparde Mr. B. C. Pal and others. A large number of ladies were present at the meeting, representative of the different communities.

Mrs. Luxmibai Tricumdas presided and Mrs. Ramibai Morarji Kamdar, Mrs. Sushilabai Jayaker, Mrs. Ratanbai Pavri, Mrs. Maganbhen Manekbhen, Mrs Airabai Tata and Mrs. Godavaribai spoke in eulogistic terms of the services rendered by Mr. Tilak to the country. They hoped that he would return to India after accomplishing his work in England.

Mr. Tilak in replying said he thanked them for wishing him God speed. He had also to thank them for the meeting the Bombay ladies had held in the year 1908 sympathising with him in his misfortunes, as he was unable to do so then. In all spheres of activities women were coming to the forefront and they had Mrs. Besant, a woman, who was their leader in all patriotic movements. It had been said by their enemies that men wanted Home Rule and women did not; one caste was for a Home Rule and another against it, and soon, but this meeting was proof positive that they were wrong. The meeting was an encouragement to him, and he would carry their message to England.

THE RIGHT MOMENT.

Time and tide wait for none; they would never get such an opportunity for which they had been waiting for so many years, and they must do their utmost to take the fullest advantage of it. They must make hay while the sun shines. The work of the ladies encouraging him in his difficult task was a good augury for the success of his work, and it would be of great help to him in England. They must carry the work, which had been handed down to him, by such patriots as Dadabhai Naoroji to a success. In all part of the world, and particularly in India, women have always taken their proper share of the national work and he was not at all surprised that they had met there to wish him success in is endeavours. (Cheers).

Mr. G. S. Khaparde said the ladies present at the meeting were to him as sisters or daughters; he had not the least doubt that with their he would be successful in the mission he had undertaken; they had been asking for more rights for the last many years, and they would never stop their efforts, until their object had been gained.

Mr. B. C. Pal said without the co-operation of women they would not be able to do anything for their country, but with their encouragement they would be successful in their efforts.

Mrs. Premabai then sang some songs specially written for the occasion, and Mr. Bachubai Thakkar thanked the distinguished guests for being present at the meeting.

MASS MEETING AT DANA BUNDER.

CONFIDENCE IN MR. TILAK AND PARTY.

On Monday night a large and crowded meeting was held at Dana Bunder in honour of the Home Rule Deputation. Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas presided. Mr. Tilak, the Hon. Mr. Khaparde, Mr. Kelkar, Mr. Bepin Chandra Pal and Mr. Karandikar addressed the meeting. Rs. 2,000 were collected on the spot.

Among those present were: Messrs. S. R. Bomanji, B. G. Horniman, Laxmidas Tairsee, Narayandas Purshotamdas, Khimji Hirji Kayani, Mavaji Govindji, Drs. Sathe, Velkar, Chandulal Desai, Mr. S. D. Navalkar, and many leading grain merchants.

Mr. Tilak received a grand ovation on arrival. "Bharat Hamara Desh Hai" song was sung by a professor of the Gandharva Maha Vidyalaya.

Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas rose amidst cheers and thanked all for doing him honour by electing him president. He said that that evening's occasion was specially a unique one, as they all had assembled on an occasion, the importance of which was even of a special and unique nature. They all had come together to honour, listen and show sympathy for and co-operation with the trusted delegates going to England to put their case for Home Rule before the British public in general; and the justiceloving levelminded and truthloving people in particular.

MR. TILAK'S GREAT SERVICE.

He narrated to the audience the great service done to the Motherland by Mr. Tilak, in an eloquent and spirited tone. The work of Mr. Tilak was unstinted from the beginning. He was the same, undaunted and courageous true son of mother Ind through thick and thin not caring for the frowns of the authorities. He took to his national work, as if he was the only son born of Ind, specially to uplift her. He was grossly misunderstood and misrepresented and really suffered for the amelioration of their Motherland. His work is acknowledged even by his enemies. He was going to England with Mr. Bepin Chandra Pal, the Hon. Mr. Khaparde and Messrs. Kelkar and Karandikar as their delegates and champions to plead their case on behalf of their Motherland. He had the backing of the whole nation. They all hoped, and trusted that God's blessings would be showering on him and would come back with fresh laurels; and there would be the feather of Swarajya in his patriotic cap. They all prayed God that he would have a speedy *bon voyage* and he might return to their Mother Country with double vigour and redoubtable energy. He expressed that they were carried away by the same sentiments and emotion when the great Rama left Avodha and went to the forest in seclusion. The nation and his brothers felt for him in the same way they felt for Mr. Tilak. As Mr. Tilak was going to get Swarajya they wished him *bon voyage* and God speed in his work!

A POSITIVE SUCCESS.

Mr. S. R. Bomanji spoke about Mr. Tilak and said that Mr. Tilak had undertaken a risky trip to a foreign land in his old age. He wished him safety and hoped that success was positively his.

Mr. Narayandas Purshottamdas spoke in the same strain and asked all to help the deputation whole-heartedly.

Shet Mavji Govindji in a feeling and spirited tone referred to the services of Mr. Tilak and reminded them of his six years' seclusion for his Motherland. But now he was proceeding as an untramelled and a free citizen to get them freedom. He asked them all to pour out their pockets and help the deputation materially.

RS. 500 FOR TILAK'S AUTOGRAPH.

Shet Mavji's speech had an electrifying effect on the audience. Mr. Horniman having given his but the volunteers most willingly took it round. A good sum was collected; and a programme card with Mr. Tilak's autograph on it was put to auction, the highest bid for which was for Rs. 500. In all about Rs. 2,000 were collected.

Mr. Tilak then rose to address amidst deafening cheers. Mr. Tilak thanked them all, and said that he was ready to go through all the crucifying ordeals of seavoyage at this critical and stirring times to secure Home Rule for himself, for his country men—the living and the coming generations. He asserted that the whole country was at one on this point. A note of dissension was raised in some quarters by vested interests.

"MUST GIRD UP THEIR LOINS."

They must gird up their loins to face it boldly. They had it was said collected nearly Rs. 30,000 to carry on the anti-Home Rule agitation. Lord Sydenham led this party and was striving every nerve to spread his propaganda. They were here thirty-three crores and they must collect money accordingly for their cause. He was hopeful that India was sure to come out triumphant in the end. God made time and circumstances favourable to their cause. Death would come to any individual sooner or later. No one was free from it. Old age was the fittest age to undertake that kind of voyage. He pictured the whole situation created by the great war.

POLITICAL PARTNERS OF BRITAIN.

They would place the real and true state of things before the British public and Parliament; and God willing they were sure that they (the British public) would give a hearty ear to it. On their confidence, trust and backbone they (the deputation) took up this responsibility and if they gave hearty sympathy and co-operation we were sure to win. Let Lord Sydenham and his party bring obstacles in their way; but they must carry on an agitation in India and not to stop unless and until they got what they wanted. "Nothing short of our demands would satisfy us," said Mr. Tilak, "this we must show them by our agitation and I am sure the battle of freedom will be won." He concluded by thanking them all and took his seat amidst cheers.

MR. B. C. PAL.

Mr. B. C. Pal followed and said that they were striving for Swarajya from the Vedantic point of view to get the absolution or nirvan, eternal rest in this as well as the next world.

The Hon. Mr. Khaparde in a humorous speech said that they had experienced the bitter experience of life and the growing generation should get the fruit of their toil as of the parents' work. The parents for the good of their sons had gladly taken the voyage in their old age. He hoped to get success and to return to India safe and sound.

After all were garlanded, the meeting was brought to a close after Bande-Mataram was sung.

PAISA FUND.

RECEPTION TO HOME RULE DELEGATION.

On behalf of the Paisa Fund Committee a reception was held at Mr. Anna Saheb Nene's house in Sadashiv Street, Girgaum, on Monday evening, when Messrs. B. G. Tilak, G. S. Khaparde, B. C. Pal and N. C. Kelkar, members of the Indian Home Rule League deputation to England, were warmly welcomed by Dr. Nanasaheb Deshmukh, Messrs. Nene and Gosavi and other members of the Paisa Fund Committee.

Mr. Nene referred to Mr. Tilak's lifelong work as a volunteer in the cause of his country and the part he had taken in connection with the Paisa Fund movement.

Mr Tilak, in reply, said that he looked upon service in the cause of his country as a divine command and thought that all Indians should have the same ideal in view. He was very glad to have assurances from all the young volunteers that they would go on working till the goal was achieved. He was thankful for the good wishes of his young and enthusiastic friends and countrymen.

Messrs. Pal, Khaparde and Kelkar also spoke thanking the Committee for the honour done to them and their good wishes. The Paisa Fund and Goraksha Fund volunteers then made separate presentations of purses to Mr. Tilak. Mr. Nene having thanked the guests of the evening for their acceptance of the invitation, the function came to a close amidst cries of "Bande-Mataram."

HOME RULE LEAGUE PROCESSION.

This evening there will be a procession to escort Mr. Tilak and the rest of Home Rule Deputation. It is arranged for by the Home Rule League and will start from the China Baug and will end at the Victoria Terminus.

INDIAN COWHIDES.

CANADIAN TANNERS GREATLY INTERESTED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 23.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 26.

Canadian tanners are greatly interested in the collection of Indian cowhides sent to the Dominion by the Imperial Institute and being exhibited in various centres by the Canadian Ministry of Commerce. Inquiries have already been received from Canadian firms and probably when Government restrictions on Indian hides are relaxed considerable trade will be done direct with India.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

QUOTATIONS SHOW DECLINE ON THE BALANCE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

The Stock Exchange opened with a feeling of quiet confidence. Offerings of leading securities were readily absorbed and quotations now show only slight decline on the balance.

The Consols are 54¼ and the war-loan 93¾.

ABORTIVE GERMAN PEACE OFFER.

A MOSCOW RUMOUR.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS)

ALLAHABAD, Mar. 26.

The "Pioneer's" London correspondent cables:—

The interest attaching to the recent official announcement that an important Conference of Allied Ministers preceded the issue of the Entente's manifesto on the terms of the Russo-German peace is considerably enhanced by a Reuter telegram from Moscow. This mentions the prevalence there of a rumour that Germany offered the Allies peace with important concessions in return for the recognition of the Brest-Litovsk treaty.

RECRUITING IN THE PUNJAB.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LAHORE. Mar. 26.

The recruiting return for February, 1918, just published by the Punjab Government show the number of combatant and non-combatant recruits enlisted by recruiting officers in various Punjab districts and Native States. In the north the total of these is 14,701. Figures obtained by including the number enrolled from Delhi Province for the same month is 14,788.

The grand total of recruits for the Indian army registered in the Province during February was according to figures furnished by the central recruiting board 15,045, comprising 12,632 combatants and 2,413 non-combatants.

PANDIT MEMORIAL.

The joint Secretaries writing from Rajkot report the following contributions:—Amount previously announced, Rs. 915; Mr. Parshotan M. Parekh, Rs. 50; Mr. Purshotamrai, S. Zala, Rs. 100; Mr. P. G. Masurekar, Rs. 400. Total Rs. 1,465.

The subscriptions may be announced and paid to either of the four gentlemen mentioned below:—

Chairman.—Khan Bahadur Bezonji Merwanji.

Banker.—Mr. Kalianrai J. Baxi, Mr. Parshotam M. Parekh, and Dinkarprasad M.

RAPID MOVEMENT OF HEAVY GUNS.

(Continued from page 7.)

Germans has been the rapid movement of heavy guns. This phase of open warfare had been carefully rehearsed for months. British airmen saw howitzers lumpering along the roads in endless columns and motorlorries bringing up shell to new positions. Guns come into action anywhere in the open. Field batteries have repeatedly been seen galloping boldly across the rising grounds less than a mile from the British. Behind advancing armies comes another army of workmen repairing destroyed railways and bridges, and erecting new hospitals and aerodromes. The offensive in the air is prosecuted with equal vigour. Large formations of Gothas have nightly tried to cut our communications dropping unusually heavy explosives, but the damage done is insignificant.

HEAVY ATTACKS ON SOMME-WANCOURT FRONT.

BEATEN OFF BY THE BRITISH.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 2-45 p.m., Mar. 26.

The War Office announces that we have to-day beaten off continuous heavy attacks on the Somme-Wancourt front. French reinforcements are arriving.

FRENCH TROOPS ON BRITISH FRONT.

ENEMY COUPS-DE-MAIN BREAK DOWN IN CHAMPAGNE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

A French communiqué says the French troops began on the 23rd to intervene in the battle on the British front where they relieved a part of the British forces and took up the struggle on their own account. They are at present heroically fighting in the region of Noyon, disputing for the heights on the right of Oise with important German forces.

There were violent artillery actions in the region of Courcy and Loivre, northwest of Rheims. Two enemy *coups-de-main* east of Suippe in the Champagne broke down. There was great cannonading between Arrancourt and the Vosges.

The enemy at dawn attacked east of Blemery and east of Badonviller but was repulsed with heavy losses.

BRITISH ADVANCE IN PALESTINE.

KING OF HEDJAZ'S EXPLOIT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 26.

An official communiqué from Palestine says:—We have extended our positions on the left bank of the Jordan.

One of our patrolling machines attacked five aeroplanes and brought down three out of control.

The King of Hedjaz's troops near Jeddah, 78 miles north-west of Medina, surprised and destroyed a Turkish camel corps.

BIG ENEMY OFFENSIVE IN TRENTINO.

EXPECTED IN TWO OR THREE WEEKS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 5 p.m., Mar. 26.

Mr. Ward Price, wiring from Italian Headquarters, says a great enemy offensive in the Trentino is expected in two or three weeks when the snow has cleared from the mountains. Besides powerful preparations in the rear the Austrians in front are endeavouring to sap the Italian spirit by distributing mendacious literature.

CENTRAL ASIAN MENACE.

CONVERGING MOVEMENT OF ENEMY TROOPS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 21.
Recd. 11 p.m., Mar. 26.

A "Times" leader on "The Central Asian Menace" after emphasising the suspiciousness of the behaviour of Bolshevist leaders in fleeing from Petrograd and proposing to abandon Moscow and pointing out that the swift advances of Germans upon Nikolaieff ment towards the coal and iron fields of the and Kharkoff indicate a converging move-Donetz basin, proceeds to say that an imperative problem is arising for Britain. Turks may already be at Batum which is the terminus of trans-Caucasian line and they must also be moving from Erzerum in the direction of Kars west of which at Sarikanish they will obtain access to an important branch of the line; and having seized these termini they will probably shortly reach the Caspian, despite the possible resistance of the disorganised troops of the new Caucasian republic.

TUANKSIJUI RE-APPOINTED CHINESE PREMIER.

POLITICAL TRIUMPH FOR NORTHERNERS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PEKING, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

Tuanksijui has been reappointed premier, constituting a political triumph for the Northern provincial governors following upon their military success against the Southerners.

WORLD PEACE NOT YET.

(Continued from page 7.)

Gazette" reminds the people that the Germans are dealing with a most formidable enemy and a stupendous task is still ahead. The British are fighting with extraordinary determination and bravery.

"The Cologne Volkszeitung" says:—The gigantic struggle cannot be ended in a short time, perhaps not for months.

Several papers point out that the Allies' general reserve has not yet been called on.

GERMAN OFFENSIVE WOULD FAIL.

VIEW OF GENERAL WOOD.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 26.

General Wood, testifying before the Senate Military Committee, declared that experts were unanimously confident that the German offensive would fail. He recommended that an American Army of two million men should be maintained abroad as soon as possible and another two million should be trained.

EFFECT IN AMERICA.

BRISK RECRUITING.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

NEW YORK, Mar. 26.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 26.

The news of fighting has stimulated recruiting and there was a rush of applicants for enlistment yesterday.

GENERAL HAIG CONGRATULATED.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S MESSAGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 26.

President Wilson has cabled Field-Marshal Haig congratulating him on the British stand and predicting final victory.

VICE-ADMIRAL PEIRSE.

PROMOTED ADMIRAL.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

Vice-Admiral Peirse is promoted Admiral in succession to Admiral Bradford who has retired at his own request to facilitate the promotion of younger officers.

KAISER'S DECORATIONS.

HINDENBURG GETS IRON CROSS WITH GOLD RAYS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

A telegram from Berlin says the Kaiser at the main Headquarters on the 24th conferred upon Hindenburg the Iron Cross with gold rays, hitherto only conferred on Prince Blucher, upon Ludendorff the Grand Cross of the Iron Cross, upon the departmental chiefs at the Headquarters oakleaves, etcetera, and upon the rest of the departmental chiefs the Kaiser's portrait with signature and the date of the battle March 21st to 23rd.

SIBERIAN MOVEMENT.

IMMEDIATE JAPANESE ACTION NOT LIKELY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 11-30 a.m., Mar. 26.

A telegram from Osaka says business men believe that immediate Japanese action in Siberia is unlikely.

"JAPAN PREPARING TO ENTER SIBERIA."

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 23.
Recd. 5 p.m., Mar. 26.

A telegram to "The Times" from Tokio says in spite of the political disruption, which is likely to result in the resignation of the cabinet, there is indisputable evidence that Japan is preparing to enter Siberia after a declaration of motives and objects to the Russian local authorities.

PREMIER'S STATEMENT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 25.
Recd. 5 p.m., Mar. 26.

A telegram from Tokio to the "Daily Mail" says in the House of Peers, Count Terauchi, Premier, replying to an interpellation, said Government had not considered the question of intervention in Siberia because Japan was not menaced by the presence in Siberia of numerous war prisoners, whose power was negligible.

SEMINOFF'S MOVEMENT AGAINST BOLSHEVIKS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 26.
Recd. 5-15 p.m., Mar. 26.

A telegram to "The Times" from Peking says that Seminoff's movement against the Bolsheviks is receiving substantial support.

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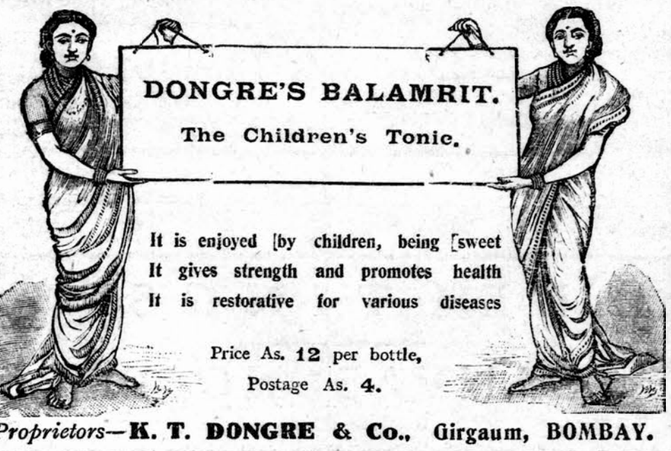
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A CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION REJECTED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
RANGOON, Mar. 25.

The District Magistrate to-day passed a lengthy order on the application of Marcelline, shorthand writer to the Revenue Secretary, for a declaration that he was not liable for general military service in the I. D. F. on the ground that he was in holy orders. Marcelline first of all applied to the Exemption Tribunal for exemption on the ground that his conscience forbade him to do violence to any one but directed him to practice the doctrine of non-resistance as enjoined by Jesus Christ. Mr. Clifton as the prescribed authority under Section 5 of Registration Rules 1917 had been directed to apply to his Worship for decision whether Marcelline's case came within the exception to registration. Marcelline belonged to the International Bible Students' Association, and claimed to do a good deal of missionary work. He claimed also that the occupation by which he earned his livelihood, was not to be regarded as service to which his wife was devoted, that being in the service of Jesus Christ. He kept on the appointment merely as a means to keep him alive and able to work in the service to which he was truly bound.

His Worship said that to discuss Marcelline's arguments would involve questions of religion and he would inevitably find himself bound to make remarks which might hurt the religious susceptibilities of others. He held that the applicant was not entitled to exemption under exception 2 of the schedule. His Worship added that he understood the military authorities did not intend to press with severity on Marcelline but were ready to allot him non-combatant duties. As a Government servant he was indirectly and must often be aiding and abetting the war. His only way of not aiding the war was to remove himself from the community completely. Marcelline might easily claim with some right not to be a European British subject, unless he was out for martyrdom at all costs. His Worship could not understand why he had applied for exemption on these grounds.

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RESIGNATION OF LIQUIDATORS ACCEPTED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
LAHORE, Mar. 25.

In the matter of the National Insurance and Banking Coy. Ltd., of Amritsar in liquidation, Mr. Hancock Prenter, liquidation judge to-day passed orders accepting the resignation tendered by the present liquidators, Messrs. Dignasse and Bangham, Chartered Accountants, of their office of liquidators and appointed Haribaloo Sahai, pleader of Gaya in their place as liquidator with effect from 1st April and directed the latter to furnish security of Rs. 25,000. As regards the call of Rs. 65 per cent made by the liquidators, the judge directed the liquidators to compromise with such contributories as would pay Rs. 20 per share before the 30th September 1918 exonerating the latter from further liability, but ordered that defaulters would be liable for full call money. The objections filed by certain Gaya contributories against some proceedings of the liquidators were also withdrawn. This company had branches in many places with a capital of ten lakhs and went into liquidation in 1915.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT UTAN.

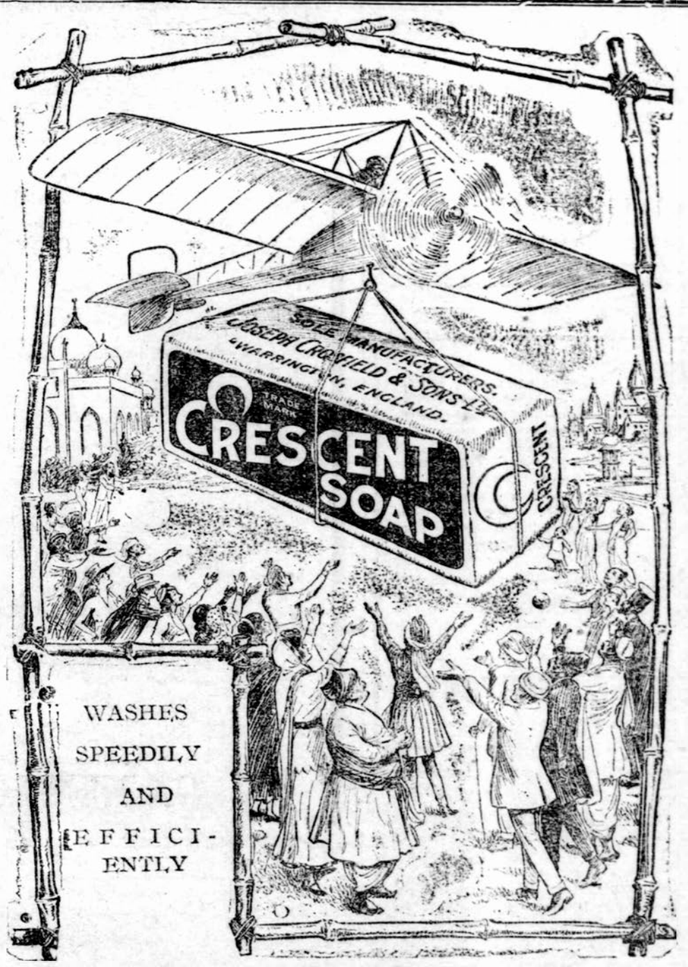
FOUR PERSONS BURNT TO DEATH.

Utan is a pretty village in Salsette in the Thana District. It is seven miles from the Bhynder Railway Station. As plague is raging fearfully in the village, the people have abandoned their homes and betaken themselves to distant fields where they are living in temporary huts made of such combustible materials as *jawalis*, straw and bamboos. One of such huts was put up by the family of a cultivator called Lurenco Baotio, who lived there with his wife, son and two daughters. On Sunday night, it appears the family went to bed leaving a naked kerosene oil light burning, which having been accidentally overturned ignited some combustible materials around, which with the help of a very strong breeze blowing at the time soon enveloped the whole hut in flames. Though Laurenco Baotio escaped, his wife, son and two daughters perished in the fire. The people from the neighbouring huts came out, but with all their gallant endeavours to render assistance nothing could be done, owing to scarcity of water and other drawbacks, to save the hut and its unfortunate inmates, only one of whom has escaped with his life. An enquiry was held the very next day and it has been ascertained that the fire was due to pure accident.

KOMAGATA MARU ON FIRE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
RANGOON, Mar. 25.

The Japanese steamer Komagata Maru of Budge Budge riots memory, and the subsequent Lahore Conspiracy trials was found on fire in Kowloon Harbour on March 2nd. The vessel was beached and now lies on the beach at Tai Kok Buyi in 2½ fathoms water. She arrived at Hongkong the previous day with cocoanut oil and rubber and was en route to Japan.



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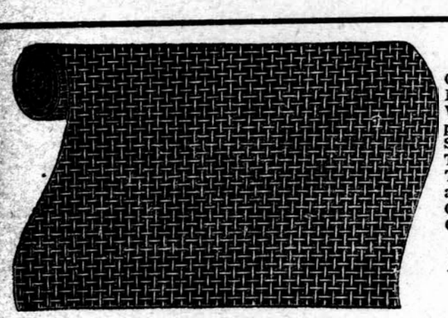

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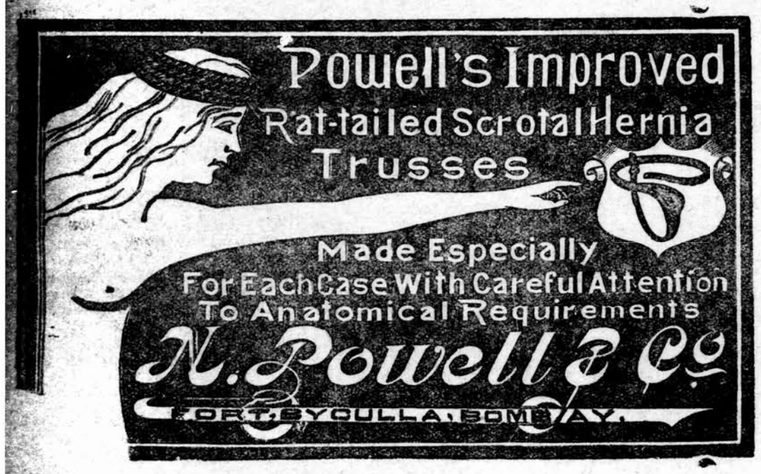

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CHAPTER XI.

THE RESCUE.

They fired and shouted to one another as he ran forward. Apparently they thought he was attempting to escape. Hugh did not wish to use his own pistol again for he had neglected to bring any cartridges so that he had no means of reloading. Already he had fired three shots and had but three more left.

Above his head the bullets whistled as his two enemies emptied their pistols more or less at random. They seemed to have unlimited ammunition and apparently they were confident this was a lonely spot where the sound of their shooting would raise no alarm. It came into Hugh's mind that if they kept at a distance and continued to fire at him they must hit him sooner or later. He wondered if he could creep unobserved near one of them. He felt that at close quarters he would be a match for either.

The vicious rattle of their pistols ceased. Apparently they both realised at the same moment that they were wasting ammunition. One of them called:

"Where is he?"

The other answered:

"Look out, he's up to something."

At school and college Hugh had had a certain reputation as a ventriloquist. The thought of this old, half forgotten accomplishment came back now into his mind. It was evident that they did not see him where he crouched in the darkness amidst some gorse, while he himself could just distinguish their figures, dimly and vaguely outlined against the dark sky. Making his voice sound as though it came from a spot some distance in front of where he crouched he called: "Quick, quick, this way, follow me," and then changing his tone to an imitation of the agitated whisper of a frightened girl coming from the same place, he added: "Don't leave me, it's dark, don't leave me."

The trick, superficial though it was was yet instantly successful and both the men jumped to the conclusion that their captive was escaping with Hugh.

"Look out, they're off," shouted the chauffeur.

"Hi, there, stop, stop, you fools, or you'll get badly hurt," shouted his companion and began to run in the direction from which the voices seemed to come.

This was exactly what Hugh had hoped for. The course this man followed as he ran and shouted brought him straight to where Hugh crouched. As he came level Hugh leaped up and seized him in a fierce embrace and the fellow screamed aloud with terror and surprise. Hugh had taken him at a disadvantage but he fought well and vigorously, showing an unexpected strength and resisting desperately the effort Hugh made to throw him. To and fro they stamped, swaying together in the darkness. In the struggle his pistol exploded, harmlessly and in the air. But the advantage Hugh had secured by his unexpected attack he retained and with his grasp finally fixed upon the other's body he lifted him clear from the ground, bending all his strength in one great effort to hurl him over his shoulder. The other man, the chauffeur, not quite understanding what was happening or what was the meaning of the sudden sound of struggling so far from the spot whence the voices of the fugitives had seemed to come, fired two shots at random. One of his bullets flew wide in the dark night, but one struck his companion under the left arm as Hugh held him in the air, and pierced his body through. Hugh felt him collapse suddenly in his hands, exactly as does a bag from which the contents are suddenly let out. With a sudden sensation of fear and horror Hugh left hold. The injured man fell down in a crumpled heap and Hugh called out loudly:

"You've killed him."

It was what they all three had been trying to do to each other, and yet now that it had happened both Hugh and the chauffeur experienced a sudden revulsion of feeling. It was as though that silent figure lying on the reddened turf affected both of them with fear and awe. So strange a thing is a dead man a new significance seemed to have come upon the whole scene. The huge darkness of the night the vast expanse of lonely down, the two cars a little way awap with their great lighted lamps, all seemed to take on a new meaning from this dead man that lay upon the turf.

Side by side, forgetting their late enmity, Hugh and the chauffeur stood by the body. As if he hoped to make him hear the chauffeur called softly:

"Mike, Mike." Looking up at Hugh, he added: "He's hurt."

"He is dead," Hugh answered.

As though to assure himself on this point the chauffeur stooped and looked long and closely. Then he stood up.

"So he is," he said. "What'll we do now?"

"Who is he" Hugh asked. "And what were you doing?"

"Just give me a hand with him," the chauffeur said.

Together they lifted the body and bore it towards where the two motor cars stood. The chauffeur said:

"She'll make bad trouble about this."

"Who?" Hugh asked.

"Aren't you Mr. Hugh Strange," the chauffeur answered. "If you are, you ought to know that well enough," he added as they came to the car he had driven. "Put him inside."

"Dorine," Hugh said, opening the car door, "are you there?"

There was no answer and the car was empty. Hugh helped the chauffeur to place his companion's body within and then said to him:

"What are you going to do now? Who was he, and who are you, and what were you going to do? Why did you bring that lady here?"

"Because she's worth money," the chauffeur answered, "what else did you suppose? And I reckon you know as much as I do or how do you happen to be around here? We thought you were Old Joe at first, I reckon anyway you come from him."

"I don't know who you mean by Old Joe," Hugh answered, "but I——"

"Aw, what's the sense of talking that way?" retorted the chauffeur, interrupting him. "If you don't know him, how did you happen to be round here? Chance, was it? I reckon. Well, you've come and Mike's passed in his checks and no wit's up to us to get out of the mess with as little fuss and trouble as may be. I tell you straight, I've had enough. I'm going to quit, I'm done. As for that girl, you'd better look after her. She may be half way back to town by now or getting lost or something. You'd better see after her, if you want to. I tell you there'll be bad trouble when Mrs. Mike gets going. I shall quit. You look after that girl. She's over there. You see to her if you want to."

Hugh, looking in the direction in which the chauffeur pointed, saw in fact a dim figure barely visible in the darkness against the black sky.

"Dorine, Dorine," he called, moving towards it, "Dorine, is that you?"

"Yes, yes," a soft, low voice answered with a sob of fear and relief. "Oh, is it you? I was so frightened, I thought they had murdered you."

"No, I'm not hurt," Hugh answered, going quickly towards her. "Are you safe?" he asked.

"Yes, yes, are you?" she said quickly and he felt his heart thrill at a certain note of anxiety in her voice he thought he detected.

"Quite safe," he answered, and as he spoke he heard the sound of the chauffeur starting his car. "What are you doing?" he called, turning sharply.

"Quitting," a voice answered briefly.

"Oh, let them go, let them go if they will," Dorine exclaimed, catching him by the arm and holding him.

Hugh hesitated but the car was already starting. Before he could decide what to do it was gliding away at a rapidly increasing speed. Hugh shrugged his shoulders with the feeling that perhaps it was as well from his point of view that the chauffeur should go off with the dead body of his companion. It might save the giving of explanations that would be very awkward and cause a great deal of unpleasant talk, if nothing else.

"What happened?" Dorine asked. "I was so frightened, there was a noise, awful, awful, I made sure they were killing you, I ran as hard as I could and then I came back again. What happened? have they really gone, won't they come back?"

"I don't think so," Hugh answered. "I hardly know what has happened myself."

They were walking slowly together towards his car. As they came within the circle of light its lamps cast Hugh saw that Dorine was looking very pale and ill. Sometimes she trembled violently and it was plain that she was still very frightened. Her coat was torn, her hair disarranged, but her beauty seemed greater than ever, poignant and appealing against the background of that dark and solitary night.

"Will you sit down in here?" he said, opening the door of the car for her and helping her in.

He himself remained outside, leaning on the open door.

"Will you tell me what has happened? I don't understand at all clearly," he said. "If you will tell me what has happened, perhaps it will be easier to understand. What did these men want with you, do you know?"

"I think perhaps they meant to kill me," she answered gravely and seriously.

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Thunderstorms have given nearly general rain in east Assam, Lower Bengal, and Orissa coast, a few falls in Mysore and Madras. The chief amounts are: Jessore one and a half inches, Cox's Bazar, Chittagong and False Point one. Temperature is remaining very low in north-west and Central India.

Forecast:—Extension of rain into north Burma and decrease in lower Bengal and Orissa.

Earthquake report:—An earthquake shock of slight intensity at its origin about a thousand miles away was recorded on Simla seismograph at five hours fifty-four minutes this morning.

TEMPERATURE IN BOMBAY.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY COLABA,
Bombay, 25th Mar. 1918.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m., and 10 p.m.:

Barometer corrected to 32 deg. Fahr.	29.832 inches
Temperature of Air	77.7 Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	64.2 "
Dew Point	56.1 "
Relative humidity of Air	0.490 "
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky cloudy—10)	0.0 "
Maximum temperature of Air	87.1 "
Minimum do.	65.7 "
General direction of Wind from midnight to midnight	NNE, ENE, NW.
Movement of Wind do. do.	194 Miles.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and height of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time. h. m.	Depth on Sill ft. in.	LOW WATER. Day of Month.	Bombay Mean time. h. m.	Depth on Sill ft. in.
	Mar.			Mar.		
Tues.	26	m 10 58	26 8	26	m 4 49	17 3
		11 8a	27 2		4 49a	17 9
Wed.	27	m 11 22	27 2	27	m 5 12	16 7
		11 34a	27 4		5 12a	17 4
Thur.	28	m 11 59	27 6	28	m 5 36	16 1
		11 58a	27 4		5 47a	17 6
Fri.	29			29	m 6 1	15 10
		0 29a	27 3		6 16a	17 9
Sat.	30	m 0 21	27 3	30	m 6 27	15 9
		0 52a	27 7		6 45a	18 3
Sun.	31	m 0 46	26 10	31	m 6 54	15 11
	Apl.	1 30a	27 3	Apl.	7 15a	18 11
Mon.	1	m 1 14	26 5	1	m 7 28	16 2
		2 4a	26 8		7 47a	19 8

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset, according to Indian Standard Time, during the ensuing week:—

Mar.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
" 26 (Tuesday)	" 6h 38m.	" 6h 51m.
" 27 (Wednesday)	" 6h. 37m.	" 6h. 51m.
" 28 (Thursday)	" 6h 37m.	" 6h. 52m
" 29 (Friday)	" 6h 36m.	" 6h 52m.
" 30 (Saturday)	" 6h. 35m.	" 6h. 52m
" 31 (Sunday)	" 6h 34m.	" 6h 53m
April 1 (Monday)	" 6h. 33m.	" 6h 53 a.

Phases of the Moon:—

		d.	h.	m.
Last Quarter	Mar. 1918.	6	6	12 6 a.m.
New Moon	"	13	1	22.4 a.m.
First Quarter	"	19	7	0 4 p.m.
Full Moon	"	27	9	2.8 p.m.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday, the 26th March, 1918, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear. Temperature continues in considerable to large defect both by day and night.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Day temperature is below normal by 15 deg. to 19 deg. F. while the defect in night temperature ranges from 8 deg. F. at Cawnpore to 19 deg. F. at Jhansi.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear. The air is very dry in lower Sind. Both day and night temperatures continue in considerable to large defect except in lower Sind, the deficiency in night temperature ranging up to 21 deg. F. at Bikaner.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. Humidity is below normal except at Indore. Temperature continues considerably below the average both by day and night except at coast stations in Kathiawar.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. The air drier than usual except in the western districts. Both day and night temperatures continues in moderate to considerable defect.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is below normal in the north Konkan. Night temperature continues slightly below normal.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Hyderabad reports 0.80in. of rain. Skies are clear except in south Hyderabad. Humidity is locally below normal in the Bombay Deccan. Both day and night temperatures continue in slight to moderate defect throughout.

General Remarks.—The disturbance from the west is determining heavy cloud in north Baluchistan. Thunderstorms have occurred in south Hyderabad, the Madras Deccan and south-east Madras, the heaviest fall being 0.80in. at Hyderabad. Weather is improving in the Peninsula. Temperature continues very low in northern and central India.

Isolated thunderstorms may again occur in the Peninsula.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN at 8 a.m. on TUESDAY, the 26th of March, 1918.

STATIONS	Temp. in Shade: Maximum of past 24 hours.	Minimum of past 24 hours.	Humidity. 8 A.M.	Rainfall: Past 24 hours	Total 1st Nov. to date.	Departure 1st Nov. to date.
PERSIAN GULF—						
Bushire	79.2	61.4	70	..	5.19	—5.17
Do. (25th Mar.)	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jask	..	..	..	..	..	..
Do. (Mar.)	..	..	..	..	..	..
Muskat	80.	72.1	73	..	0.29	—3.30
Do. (25th Mar.)	..	..	..	..	..	..
PUNJAB—	76.8	53.8	56	..	1.18	—0.32
Multan	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rawalpindi	73.8	47.3	82	..	2.61	—0.67
Lahore	75.5	46.8	50	..	0.99	..
Hissar	75.7	53.3	47	..	2.12	—3.07
Ambala	75.2	53.8	44	..	0.98	—1.78
Dehli	..	..	..	..	..	..
UNITED PROVINCES—	76.8	51.9	46	..	1.12	—0.35
Agra	79.4	53.1	38	..	0.71	—1.40
Mainpuri	80.6	52.1	36	..	0.27	—1.45
Jhansi	81.	57.9	38	..	0.65	—1.33
Cawnpore	82.4	55.3	39	..	0.39	—1.72
Allahabad	..	..	..	..	..	..
SIND AND RAJPUTANA—	82.7	53.6	42	..	0.62	—0.47
Jacobabad	83.3	59.4	32	..	1.54	+0.11
Karachi	75.0	48.0	24	..	0.25	—1.04
Ajmer	78.5	59.9	27	..	0.31	—1.13
Jaipore	81.0	55.8	33	..	0.10	—0.76
Kotah	67.0	49.0	20	..	0.12	—1.03
GUJARAT, KATHIAWAR AND CENTRAL INDIA						
West—	82.4	50.3	34	..	0.15	—0.30
Bhuj	84.8	52.9	53	..	0.01	—2.67
Dwarka	88.8	61.6	37	..	0	—3.47
Veraval	83.0	54.0	13	..	0	—0.49
Rajkot	87.2	51.8	70	..	0	—0.56
Bhavnagar Para	91.2	57.9	33	..	0	—0.34
Surat	90.9	58.8	18	..	0	—0.39
Ahmedabad	86.6	56.0	17	..	0	—0.51
Deesa	76.4	48.9	16	..	0.06	—0.74
Neemuch	83.0	51.1	64	..	0.21	—0.99
Indore	..	..	..	..	..	..
CENTRAL PROVINCES—	81.3	53.5	27	..	1.29	—1.26
Jubbulpore	80.6	55.0	26	..	0.14	—2.09
Sauger	81.5	55.2	30	..	0.35	—1.37
Hoshangabad	86.3	52.9	38	..	0.04	—1.11
Khandwa	92.2	56.6	20	..	0.27	—1.73
Akola	91.2	64.2	14	..	0.14	—1.85
Amraoti	90.6	63.2	10	..	0.37	—2.09
Nagpur	94.9	66.4	23	..	0.37	—2.26
Chanda	90.8	65 0	19	..	0.95	—1.17
Raipur	..	..	..	..	..	..
KONKAN—	87.1	71.3	60	..	1.46	+0.87
Bombay	85.5	69.9	34	..	0.99	+0.28
Ratnagiri	86.4	70 9	73	..	6.95	+4.79
Marmugao	86.1	68.0	83	..	1.10	—0.88
Karwar	..	..	..	..	..	..
DECCAN AND SOUTH INDIA—	88.7	50.5	11	..	1.61	+0.74
HYDERABAD—	89.9	50.3	11	..	3.13	+1.74
Malegaon	90.4	53.4	31	..	3.91	+2.77
Ahmednagar	90.5	70.1	39	..	0.67	—1.02
Poona	95.5	68.0	48	..	1.16	—0.31
Sholapur	91.0	61.0	26	..	5.70	+3.53
Dharwar	90.0	63.7	19	..	0.41	—0.91
Belgaum	96.9	65.7	58	..	0.14	—1.07
Aurangabad	93.4	67.0	68	0.80	3.07	+0 96
Nizamabad (Indur)	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hyderabad	..	..	..	..	..	..
MALABAR AND CEYLON	88.5	73.8	71	..	2.41	—1.01
Mangalore	87.5	76.1	76	..	7.27	+0.36
Calicut	87.	77.1	74	..	17.17	+6.99
Cochin	89.4	74.9	93	..	20.84	—0.29
Colombo	..	..	..	..	..	..
MADRAS (EXCLUDING MALABAR) AND MYSORE—	89.3	71.1	76	..	13.74	+6.86
Masulipatam	99.1	71.5	56	..	2.72	+0.26
Bellary	95.7	77.3	79	..	5 69	+0.85
Cuddapah	89.4	76.8	88	..	22.32	+1.88
Madras	84.5	84.8	81	..	1.56	—1.16
Bangalore	90.2	72.1	70	..	7.31	+1.62
Coimbatore	98.1	77.7	66	..	8.32	—0.91
Trichinopoly	89.8	78.4	77	0.18	38.01	+8.55
Negapatam	..	..	..	..	..	..

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